



World Communion Sunday

October 4, 2020

Trinity Presbyterian Church

Topeka, KS

Welcome and Announcements

Vicky Walters

Opening Words

Prayer of the Day

Unison

God of Justice, bless us with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths and superficial relationships. Bless us with anger at injustice, oppression and exploitation of people. Bless us with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation and war. Bless us with enough foolishness to believe that we can make a difference in this world. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Musical Interlude

Brad Stipcak

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Congregation

Gracious Lord, creator of this universe, in your generosity you have given us a world of abundance and diversity, yet we live guided by greed and selfishness. In Christ, you made us siblings and intended for us to be united, and yet we have built walls to separate us from those who are different from us.

You gave us wisdom and creativity and we have used those to trick each other and to develop weapons of destruction and death. You gave us laws to order our lives and we have abused them to take revenge and punish our enemies. We love war rather than strive for peace. In all this we have not lived according to your will. Forgive us, Lord. In your mercy, forgive us our sins.

(time for silent prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson

Micah 6: 6-8

With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before the Holy One with burnt-offerings,
with calves a year old?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?
God has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

Thanks be to God

Second Lesson

Matthew 20: 25-26; 28

²⁵But Jesus called them to him and said, 'You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ²⁶It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, ²⁸just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

Prayers of the People

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

This is My Song

The Peacemaking Project Virtual Choir / Video

Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

*This morning we will celebrate communion as we worship.
If you are worshipping remotely and wish to partake of this sacrament,
please have elements (juice, bread, etc.) ready.*

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And, also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Special Music

The Lord's Prayer
A.H. Malotte / Ashley Young, Soloist
Jaron Marcus, Piano

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

At the invitation of the presider, you may partake of the bread and cup.

Communion Music

Brad Stipcak

Prayer After Communion

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

In Remembrance
Jaron Marcus

The flowers in the sanctuary today are provided to the glory of God by Mary Nestor in loving memory of Shirley Burnett.

Participating in Worship Leadership:

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Presider

Vicky Walters, Liturgist

Brad Stipcak, Organ

Jaron Marcus, Piano

Ashley Young, Vocal Soloist

Anton Ahrens, Audio/Visual

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