

**Sunday, April 26, 2020 Virtual Worship Service
Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church
3rd Sunday of Easter -11 a.m.**

Welcome and Announcements

Bennett Culbertson

Session Report

Sara Steingruber

Prelude

He's Got the Whole World In His Hands

Ben Badinger

Gathering Around the Word

Call to Worship

Maggie Woolley

One: For God so loved the world;

All: The sparrows, the mountain lions, the fish and the people.

One: For God so loved the world;

All: In success and failure, in sickness and health, in light and darkness.

One: For God so loved the world;

All: Enough to become one of us, enough to suffer along with us, enough to offer new life for us.

One: For God so loved the world;

All: Let us worship God!

Hymn #749: Come! Live in the Light!

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749 Come! Live in the Light!

We Are Called

1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that

joy and the love of the Lord! We are called
 mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called
 great day when all will be one! God will reign,

to be light for the king - dom, to live in the
 to be hope for the hope - less so ha - tred and
 and we'll walk with each oth - er as sis - ters and

free - dom of the cit - y of God.
 vio - lence will be no more.
 broth - ers u - nit - ed in love.

Refrain

We are called to act with jus - tice; we are called to

love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -

oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

The thematic and musical center of this hymn on the vocation of all believers is found in the refrain, which is based on the well-known challenge of Micah 6:8, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"

Call to Confession

We come before God not as despised sinners, but as beloved children. With the confidence of children of God, let us humbly confess our sin. Please pray with me aloud.

Prayer of Confession

God, you loved this world so much that you sent your own son, Jesus Christ to live and die among us, in order that we might have life. Forgive us for keeping that abundant life to ourselves, for jealously hoarding your generous gifts, for choosing self-interest over compassion and justice. Teach us what it means to live as children of the light, generously sharing your abundance with our brothers and sisters in need. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Grace Helmstetter

Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Hearing the Word**Children's Sermon**

Colin Garrett, Olivia Su, Maggie Woolley

Anthem

"Thy Word"
Arr. John Sharber

Anya Lucia and Levi Phillips
Ben Badinger

Prayer of Illumination

Shaw Maguire

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 21:1-9

Mark Rogers

When the Canaanite, the king of Arad, who lived in the Negeb, heard that Israel was coming by the way of Atharim, he fought against Israel and took some of them captive. ²Then Israel made a vow to the LORD and said, "If you will indeed give this people into our hands, then we will utterly destroy their towns." ³The LORD listened to the voice of Israel, and handed over the Canaanites; and they utterly destroyed them and their towns; so the place was called Hormah. ⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. ⁵The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." ⁶Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. ⁷The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." ⁹So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

New Testament Reading

John 3:14-21

Grace Helmstetter

¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶ "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in

him may not perish but may have eternal life.¹⁷ “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. ²¹But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

Sermon

Finding the Light

Trey Woolley, Henry Armstrong,
Sara Steingruber

Responding to the Word

Liturgical Dance Response

Katherine Martin

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

Shaw Maguire

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers

Jack Maguire

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Erik Mjorud and Donovan Su

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or

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Duluth, GA 30096

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Hymn #71

Surely It Is God Who Saves Me

Ben Badinger and Brittney Garrett

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71 Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me

Refrain

C All G Am F Dm7

Sure-ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be a -

Gsus G7 Em7 Am C7 F G7

fraid. For the Lord is my strong-hold and my sure de -

Em7 Am Dm Gsus C F C (F) *Fine*

fense, and God will be my Sav - ior.

Leader or All C G/B Am C7

1 There - fore you shall draw wa - ter with re - joic - ing

F Dm7 Gsus G7 Em7

from the springs of sal - va - tion and on that day you shall

Am C7 F G7 Em7 Am Dm7 Gsus C F *to Refrain*

say, "Give thanks to the Lord and call up - on God's name."

Leader or All Am Em F

2 Make God's deeds known a-mong the peo - ples; see that they re -

G7 C Dm7 C Am Em F

mem-ber that the Lord is ex-alt - ed. Sing the prais-es of the Lord,

This text is a slightly altered form of an adaptation of Isaiah 12:2-6 that appears as a canticle for Morning Prayer in the 1979 Book of Common Prayer of the Episcopal Church. This selection is identified there as The First Song of Isaiah, a title that influenced the tune name.

Sending Out the Word

Benediction

Henry, Sara, Trey

Postlude

“This Little Light of Mine”
Arr. Randall Hartsell

Ben Badinger