

Centenary

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

June 11, 2023

Second Sunday after Pentecost

As the Prelude begins, you are invited to enter a time of prayer and meditation as we prepare to worship God together.

The Prelude

Come Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire (3 variations)

Flor Peeters

The Call to Worship

Leader: Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

People: We praise you, O God; we acknowledge you to be the Lord.

The Hymn No. 267

O Love, How Deep

DEO GRACIAS

1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high, it fills the heart with ecstasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake!
2. For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore,
for us temptation sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew.
3. For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his daily works he wrought;
by words and signs and actions thus still seeking not himself, but us.
4. For us to evil power betrayed, scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death, for us gave up his dying breath.
5. For us he rose from death again; for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent his Spirit here, to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
6. All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad:
the Trinity whom we adore, forever and forevermore.

The Opening Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

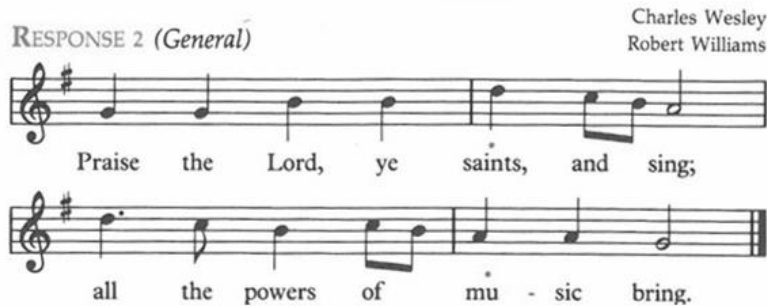
People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everlasting God,
 in whom we live and move and have our being,
 you created us for yourself,
 so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you.
Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose
 that no selfish passion may hinder us
 from knowing your will,
 and no weakness from doing it.
In your light may we see life clearly
 and in your service find perfect freedom;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Announcements

The Prayer of Illumination

*Response*

- 1 Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous!
Delight in praise, O you upright!
- 2 **Praise the Lord with the lyre,**
make melody to the Lord, with the harp of ten strings!
- 3 Sing to the Lord a new song,
play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.
- 4 **Upright is the word of the Lord,**
whose work is done in faithfulness.

Response

- 5 The Lord loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.
- 6 **By the word of the Lord the heavens were made,**
and all their host by the breath of God's mouth.
- 7 The Lord gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle
and put the deeps in storehouses.
- 8 **Let all the earth fear the Lord,**
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe

Response

- 9 For the Lord spoke, and it came to be;
the Lord commanded, and it stood forth.
- 10 **The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing**
and frustrates the plans of the peoples.
- 11 The counsel of the Lord stands for ever,
the thoughts of God's heart to all generations.
- 12 **Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,**
the people whom the Lord has chosen as a heritage!

Response

- 13 The Lord looks down from heaven,
and sees all peoples;
- 14 **the Lord sits enthroned and looks forth**
on all the inhabitants of the earth,
- 15 **fashioning the hearts of them all,**
and observing all their deeds.
- 16 A king is not saved by his great army;
a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.
- 17 **The war horse is a vain hope for victory,**
and despite its great might it cannot save.

Response

18 behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who are faithful
and hope for God's steadfast love

19 to deliver their soul from death,
and to keep them alive in famine.

**20 Our soul waits for the Lord,
who is our help and shield.**

21 Our heart is glad in the Lord,
because we trust in God's holy name.

**22 Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
even as we hope in you.**

Response

The Scripture Lesson

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The Hymn No. 2137

Would I Have Answered When You Called

KINGSFOLD

1. Would I have answered when you called, "Come, follow, follow me!"?
Would I at once have left behind both work and family?
Or would the old, familiar round have held me by its claim
and kept the spark within my heart From bursting into flame?
2. Would I have followed where you led through ancient Galilee,
on roads unknown, by ways untried, beyond security?
Or would I soon have hurried back where home and comfort drew,
where truth you taught would not disturb the ordered world I knew?
3. Would I have matched my step with yours when crowds cried, "Crucify!"
when on a rocky hill I saw a cross against the sky?
Or would I too have slipped away and left you there alone,
a dying king with crown of thorns upon a terrible throne?
4. O Christ, I cannot search my heart through all its tangled ways,
nor can I with a certain mind my steadfastness appraise.
I only pray that when you call, "Come, follow, follow me!"
you'll give me strength beyond my own to follow faithfully.

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The Sermon

I Know You Love Jesus – But Do You Like Him?

Dr. Matt Bates

The Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Solo

What shall I render unto the Lord
Taylor Jarrell, soloist

Frank La Forge

The Hymn No. 2177

Wounded World that Cries for Healing

HEALING SPIRIT

1. Wounded world that cries for healing - here we hold each other's pain,
wounded systems, bruised and bleeding bear the load, the scars of strain;

dollars ration out compassion, hard decisions rule the day,
Jesus of the healing Spirit, free us to another way!

2. Through our nation's spent frustration, through the corridors of stress
may there move a kindlier wisdom all my feel, and all may bless;
tax and tithe are for a purpose shared to shield the poor and weak;
past the symptoms of our sickness let the voice of justice speak.
3. Honor those whose loving spirit nurses hope, restores and heals,
towel and basin used in service like the Christ who comes and kneels;
in the tending, in the mending may we see the right and fair,
in our common quest for wholeness heal each other by our care.

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The Prayers of the People

The Silent Prayer

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer No. 895

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Hymn No. 617

I Come With Joy

ST. GERTRUDE

1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven,
loved and free, in awe and wonder to recall
his life laid down for me, his life laid down for me.
2. I come with Christians far and near to find,
as all are fed, the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread, in Christ's communion bread.
3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
The love that made us makes us one,
and strangers now are friends, and strangers now are friends.
4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord.
His presence, always near, is in such friendship better known;
we see and praise him here, we see and praise him here.
5. Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways,
and as his people in the world,
we'll live and speak his praise, we'll live and speak his praise.

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The Benediction

The Postlude

Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know

H. A. Cesar Malan

Last verse harmonization by David Allen

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Today our organist is Mark Koontz.

The altar flowers this morning are given by Rachel Bates and Andrew Deel in honor of our wedding anniversary.

Reminder! Help us know that you worshiped with us this morning by signing the online attendance pad [here](#).

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped us throughout the week to make all the worship services this week possible.

Scripture

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The Call of Matthew

⁹ As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹² But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners.”

A Girl Restored to Life and a Woman Healed

¹⁸ While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” ¹⁹ And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰ Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹ for she was saying to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” ²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that moment. ²³ When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴ he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. ²⁵ But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶ And the report of this spread through all of that district.

Upcoming Events

THIS WEEK

June 12	5:00 pm	Change the World/RVA
June 13	Noon	AA
June 14	10:00 am	Zoom Bible Study
June 16	10:30 am Noon	Friday Lunch Program AA
June 18	10:30 am	In person & Live Stream Worship

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