

July 18, 2021 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>Prelude</u> Andy Glynn

<u>Congregational Introit #86</u> "When Morning Gilds the Skies" Verses 1 & 4 NCH

Welcome and Announcements

Call To Worship

Invocation

<u>Hymn#310</u> *"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"* Verses 1, 3, 4 & 5 GTG

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Unison: Eternal God, your steadfast love endures forever. We confess that we act as if we are in control, as if you bless whatever we do, as if we can build whatever suits us best without considering our communities. If we think of others at all, it is with an eye toward their usefulness to us. If we consider your creation, it is to ponder what benefits us.

Build within us hearts that are always seeking your guidance for our plans and actions. Remind us of our dependence upon one another; strengthen the bonds that hold us together. Make your church more solid that it might be victorious as it faces the buffeting which results from its efforts to proclaim Christ to the world. Make us into the shelter that invites all who enter to experience your love and peace.

<u>Time of Silence for Personal Prayers of Confession</u>

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria

Prayer for Illumination

1st Scripture Reading 2 Samuel 7:1-14a

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you."

But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I



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brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

2nd Scripture Reading

Matthew 7:24-27

"Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!"

Sermon

"God Treats My Body Like a Temple. Treat Mine Like a Tent"

Brant Piper

Affirmation of Faith

A Declaration of Faith of the Presbyterian Church, Ch 7, Pt. 1

Gathered around the Word and sacraments, those who confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, together with their children, have formed a corporate, visible body in pilgrimage with God across the centuries. The church has sought to order its life and ministry in obedience to the teaching of the first apostles. It has attempted to carry out Christ's commission in various institutional forms and structures that demonstrate both continuity and change.

We acknowledge that Christ chooses to be known in the world through this community of ordinary people, therefore we dare not despise or abandon the church. Christ is the head of the church, therefore we are responsible to Christ when we make policy and decisions in the church. Christ is the foundation of the church, therefore it will not fall despite our weakness. We are confident that the Lord of the church will judge and defeat our sinful intentions and actions, help us in our weakness and blindness, and use the church to accomplish his purposes.



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Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Call to Offering

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

<u>Hymn #508</u> "Prayer is the Soul's Sincere Desire" All Verses NCH

Charge and Benediction

<u>Postlude</u> Andy Glynn



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Verses 1 & 4

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When Morning Gilds the Skies

Ps. 5:3; 59:16-17

Katholisches Gesangbuch, 1828 Transl. Edward Caswall, 1854; alt.



This anonymous German Catholic hymn was translated to English by Edward Caswall, an Anglican—and later, Roman Catholic—priest. Among the scripture references is Psalm 5:3, "O God, in the morning you hear my voice..."

Tune: LAUDES DOMINI 6.6.6.6.6.6. Joseph Barnby, 1868

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Verses 1, 3, 4 & 5



One of the oldest American hymn texts in continuous use, this paraphrase of Psalm 137 was created by a president of Yale University while compiling a popular revision of Watts's *Psalms of David*. The arranger of the tune was the clerk of a Presbyterian church in London.

TEXT: Timothy Dwight, 1800

MUSIC: The Universal Psalmodist, 1763; adapt. Aaron Williams, 1770

ST. THOMAS

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All Verses

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Luke 11:1; Rom. 8:26-28

Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire

James Montgomery, 1818; alt.



- 1. Prayer is the soul's sin-cere de-sire,
- 2. Prayer is the sim-plest form of speech
- 3. Prayer is the con-trite sin-ner's voice,
- 4. No prayers do hu-mans make a-lone;
- 5. O Christ, by whom we come to God,

uttered or un-ex-pressed; that in-fant lips can try; turn-ing from thought-less ways. the Ho-ly Spir-it pleads, the Life, the Truth, the Way,





The mo-tion of a hid-den fire
Prayer, the sub-lim-est strains that reach
While an-gels in their songs re-joice
And Je-sus on the e-ter-nal throne
The path of prayer you too have trod:

that trem-bles in the breast. the Maj-es-ty so nigh. and cry, "Be-hold, one prays!" for sin-ners inter-cedes. Christ, teach us how to pray.



'esus dulcis memoria" was an anonymous medieval poem originally rty-two stanzas long. Several hymns have been derived from it, cluding this one set to John B. Dykes' tune named for a young oman girl, Christian by birth, who was martyred in 304 C.E.

Tune: ST. AGNES C.M. John B. Dykes, 1866

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