

Ken Mawr United Presbyterian Church

Sunday, October 25, 2020

The Worship Service

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Preparation for Worship

“Be Thou My Vision”

*Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.*

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Welcome

Greetings everyone! Far from Egypt, in the Desert of Sin (no pun intended), “*the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron*” (v. 2). That was the overwhelming, unanimous response of God’s people to that place and time. They don’t say a word to God—not a prayer, not a confession of faith, not a reference to God’s promises. Instead, they express their wish to have died before they left Egypt. “*If only we had died by the Lord’s hand in Egypt!*” (v. 3). They completely turn their backs on the God who has done miraculous things for them. -Pastor Karl

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration

GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD

Hymn of Praise

“Trust in the Lord”

*Trust in the Lord (Trust in the Lord) with all your heart (with all your heart)
and lean not to your own understanding (and lean not to your own understanding).
In all your ways acknowledge him (In all your ways acknowledge him)
and he shall direct your paths (and he shall direct your paths).
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Prayer of Confession

God of creation, God of joy, and God of life, we come to you as a people hungry for good news. We have been so dead to your miracles that we have missed the world’s recreation. We have preoccupied ourselves with pleasures and have overlooked the joy you offer us. We have been so concerned with making a living that we have missed the abundant life you set among us. Forgive us, gracious God. Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your good gifts; open our lips and hands to share them with all people, in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Congregational Response

Glory be to God, Creator, glory be to God, the Son, glory be to God the Spirit, known as Three, yet God the One. As it was in the beginning, it is now and so shall be in a world without an ending, glory through eternity.

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Time with the Children (Kids spell Love T-I-M-E)

Prayers of the People & 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.

Prayer Response

**Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true;
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.
(Repeat)**

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Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

GOD'S WORD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Scripture

Exodus 16:1-15

1 The whole Israelite community set out from Elim and came to the Desert of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had come out of Egypt. 2 In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. 3 The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the LORD's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death." 4 Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. 5 On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days." 6 So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you will know that it was the LORD who brought you out of Egypt, 7 and in the morning you will see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?" 8 Moses also said, "You will know that it was the LORD when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the LORD." 9 Then Moses told Aaron, "Say to the entire Israelite community, 'Come before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.'" 10 While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud. 11 The LORD said to Moses, 12 "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, 'At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.'" 13 That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. 14 When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. 15 When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat. (NIV)

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GO IN GOD’S NAME

Hymn

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
 I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand.
 Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more,
 feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
 Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
 Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield,
 be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.
 Bear me through the swelling current, land me safe on Canaan's side:
 Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee,
 I will ever give to thee.

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Benediction

Thank you for worshipping with us!

Moses also said, "You will know that it was the LORD when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the LORD." (Exodus 16:8)