TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship for July 18, 2021

Gathering Music
Welcome & Announcements
Prelude –
Call to Worship

I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

I declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David:

'I will establish your descendants forever, and build your throne for all generations." Praise the Lord!

-from Psalm 89:1-4, NRSV

Anthem

Call to Confession

How long, Lord? Will you forget me forever?
How long will you hide your face from me?
How long must I wrestle with my thoughts
and day after day have sorrow in my heart?
How long will my enemy triumph over me?
Look on me and answer, Lord my God.
From Psalm 13

Prayer of Confession

O Lord our God, you have searched us and known us. You know not only what we say, but also what we think. You know not only what we say, but also what we almost said. You know how quickly our thoughts rise to praise ourselves because we are well-off or good-looking or healthy or smart, boasting of your gifts as if they were our accomplishments. You know how slowly our thoughts sink to accuse ourselves even when we have turned our backs on you, fascinating ourselves with alien gods whose calling we heed while ignoring your own. Quickly boasting, slowly accusing, truly we need to repent. O God, forgive, correct, and heal us through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

(A time of silence will be observed for personal confession.)

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds. Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

—Psalm 147:2-3, 5, NRSV

Our Response Lord Listen to Your Children Praying

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace. *Hymn

Morning Has Broken

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- ¹Now when the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him,
- ²the 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."
- ³Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you."
- ⁴But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan:
- ⁵Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in?
- ⁶I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle.
- ⁷Wherever 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?"
- ⁸Now 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;
- ⁹and 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.
- ¹⁰And 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,
- ¹¹from 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.
- ¹²When 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.
- ¹³He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.
- ^{14a} I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

- ¹¹So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" --a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands--
- ¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.
- ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.
- ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us.
- ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace,
- ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it.
- ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near;
- ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father.
- ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God,
- ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.
- ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord;
- ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

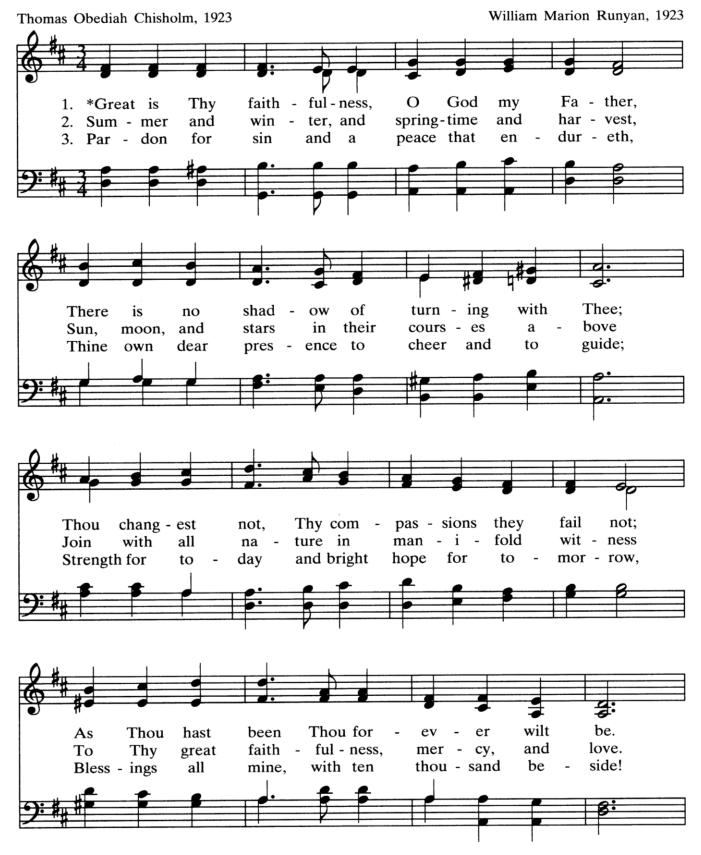
Sermon – Making a Home for God Rev. Jennifer A. Baer

GOD Lamentations 3:22-23

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Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS 11.10.11.10 with refrain





Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Offertory –

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

*Sending Forth and Benediction

*Choral Response

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Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Postlude

Liturgist: Barbara Rinker Sololist: Jessica Hitchcock

Head Deacons: Sandy Peoples & Michelle Steele

Pastor: Rev. Jennifer A. Baer Music Director: Pamela Carroll

The flowers today are dedicated to the glory of God in loving memory of my father Walter Rogers who would have turned 86 years old on July 17 and to our granddaughter Harper Lindlee Baines who turned 3 years old on July 17. Given by Linda and Lewis Baines.



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