TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship for July 4, 2021 Fourth of July

Gathering Music
Welcome & Announcements
Prelude –
Call to Worship

There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things, you alone are God.

-from Psalm 86:8-10, NRSV

Call to Confession

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses,

since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin.

Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. See Heb. 4:14–16

Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry

Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you.

Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Silent Confession

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

Assurance of Pardon

To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens! As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he has mercy upon us.

Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt.

Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

Psalm 123

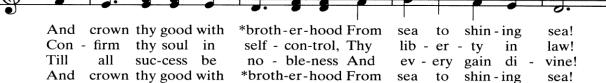
Our Response Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary Pure and holy, tried and true With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for You

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

MATERNA CMD Katharine Lee Bates, 1893 Samuel Augustus Ward, 1882 1. O beau-ti-ful for spa-cious skies, For am - ber waves of grain, 2. O beau-ti-ful for pil-grim feet, Whose stern, im-pas-sioned stress 3. O he - roes proved In beau-ti-ful for lib - er - at - ing strife, О sees be-yond the beau-ti-ful for pa - triot dream That years pur - ple moun-tain maj - es - ties A - bove the fruit - ed plaint thor-ough-fare for free - dom beat A - cross the wil - der - ness! plain! Who more than self their coun - try loved, And mer - cy more than life! Thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam, Un-dimmed by hu - man A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed His grace on thee, A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw, A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re fine A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed His grace on thee





^{*}Or "servanthood."

¹Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, "Look, we are your bone and flesh. ² For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The Lord said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel." ³ So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel. ⁴ David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years. ⁵ At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years.

⁹ David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inward. ¹⁰ And David became greater and greater, for the Lord, the God of hosts, was with him.

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³ And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— 4 was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵ On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶ But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷ even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. 8 Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, 9 but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰ Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Sermon – I Am Content with Weakness Rev. Jennifer A. Baer

262 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand



Communion

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 There's a Sweet Sweet Spirit

There's a sweet sweet Spirit in this place, And I know that it's the spirit of the Lord; There are sweet expression on each face, And I know that it's the presence of the Lord.

Sweet Holy Spirit,
Sweet heavenly Dove,
Stay right here with us,
Filling us with Your love;
And for this blessings
We lift our hearts in praise.
Without a doubt we'll know
that we have been revived
When we shall leave this place.

Postlude

Liturgist: Meryl Davis

Head Deacons: Sandy Peoples & Michele Rittenhouse

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