

THE LORD'S DAY – JUNE 30, 2024

"This Is My Father's World"

by Aaron Purdy, Franklin Lawrence Sheppard, Jennie Lee Riddle, and Maltbie Davenport Babcock This is my Father's world
And to my listening ears
All nature sings and round me rings
The music of the spheres

This is my Father's world
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees of skies and seas
His hand the wonders wrought

This is my Father's world
The birds their carols raise
The morning light the lily white
Declare their Maker's praise

This is my Father's world
He shines in all that's fair
In rustling grass I hear Him pass
He speaks to me everywhere

This is my Father's world O let me ne'er forget And though the wrong seems oft so strong God is the Ruler yet

This is my Father's world Why should my heart be sad The Lord is King let the heavens ring God reigns let the earth be glad

CALL TO WORSHIP - From Psalm 32

Leader: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

People: Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Leader: Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;

People: Surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him. You are a hiding place for me; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Leader: Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.

All: Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

"Isaiah 43"

Words: From Isaiah 43

Music: Anonymous

When you pass through the waters,
I will be with you,
And the waves will not overcome you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, you are Mine.

For I am the Lord your God
(I am the Lord your God),
I am the Lord your God (I am)
The Holy One of Israel, your Savior
(repeat)

I am the Lord (do not fear)

When you walk through the fire, you'll not be burned,
And the flames will not consume you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, you are Mine.

For I am the Lord your God
(I am the Lord your God),
I am the Lord your God (I am)
The Holy One of Israel, your Savior
(repeat)

I am the Lord (do not fear)

"Pass Me Not O Gentle Savior"

by Glen Campbell, Roy Bubba Smith, and Tim Akers

Pass me not, O gentle Savior,
Hear my humble cry;
While on others Thou art calling,
Do not pass me by.

Savior, Savior,
Hear my humble cry,
While on others Thou art calling,
Do not pass me by.

Let me at Thy throne of mercy
Find a sweet relief;
Kneeling there in deep contrition,
Help my unbelief.

Savior, Savior,
Hear my humble cry,
While on others Thou art calling,
Do not pass me by.

Trusting only in Thy merit,
Would I seek Thy face;
Heal my wounded, broken spirit,
Save me by Thy grace.

Savior, Savior,
Hear my humble cry,
While on others Thou art calling,
Do not pass me by.

Thou the spring of all my comfort,

More than life to me,

Whom have I on earth beside Thee,

Whom in Heaven but Thee.

Savior, Savior,
Hear my humble cry,
While on others Thou art calling,
Do not pass me by.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Ezekiel 36:22-32

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION OF SIN

Merciful God, you made us in your image, with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant, our obedience incomplete.

We confess that our blindness to your glory has resulted in shallow confession, lukewarm conviction, and token repentance. In your tender love, forgive us through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: The maker of heaven and earth!

Minister: O Lord, open our lips,

People: And our mouths will declare Your praise!

DOXOLOGY

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

"Thy Mercy, My God"

by Isaac Watts, John Stocker, and Sandra McCracken

Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song, The joy of my heart, and the boast of my tongue; Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last, Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here;
Sin would reduce me to utter despair;
But, through Thy free goodness,
my spirits revive,
And He that first made me still keeps me alive.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart, Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart; Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground, And weep for the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own,
And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son;
All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon,
and righteousness mine.

GREETING

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let us share His peace with one another.

Children may leave for lesson (ages 4-6).

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As the leader directs, the congregation is invited to pray for those for whom they are burdened.

Pray aloud and by name or silently if you prefer.

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

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 2:14-3:6

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

"Amazing Grace"

by Edwin Othello Excell and John Newton

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me I once was lost but now am found Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed Through many dangers toils and snares
I have already come
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home

When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you!

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Wine is in the outer circles of cups; the inner circle contains grape juice. Gluten-free bread is in its own tray.

As the usher directs, please come forward one row at a time to pick up your cups.

Please hold your elements until all are served so that we may all partake together, as one body.

"Abide With Me"

by Henry Francis Lyte and Justin Smith

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers, fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour. What but Thy grace, Can foil the tempter's power? Who like Thyself my, guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, Abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness
Where is thy sting death? where thy victory?
I triumph still, Lord, abide with me

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

THE SENDING - 2 Thessalonians 3:5

May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ. Amen.

"We Will Feast In The House Of Zion"

by Sandra McCracken

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the Lord our God
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld protected gathered up

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

In the dark of night before the dawn
My soul be not afraid
For the promised morning oh how long
Oh God of Jacob be my strength

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom

We will feast in the house of Zion We will sing with our hearts restored He has done great things we will say together We will feast and weep no more



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