



Sunday, July 28, 2024
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

During the Prelude, you are invited to meditate on the Psalm of the Day as you prepare your heart and mind for worship

Prelude

Little Prelude Nr. 5 in F Major BWV 557
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 – 1750)

Ruth Pfister, Organ

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 25:8-11

Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.
He guides the humble in what is right
and teaches them his way.
All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful
toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.
For the sake of your name, Lord,
forgive my iniquity, though it is great.

Welcome and Gathering Prayer

Warren Schenler, Council Chair

*Call to Worship

Heather Altermatt

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship,

People: let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;

Leader: for he is our God

People: and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

(Psalm 95:6-7)

*Hymn of Praise #454 "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"

Words: Tobias Clausnitzer, trans. Catherine Winkworth

Music: Johann Rudolph Ahle, harm. Johann Sebastian Bach

*The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical, p. 14)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #579 "Glory Be to the Father"

Words: Henry W. Greatorex; Tune: *Gloria Patri*

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Children's Message

Sophie Somm

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 34:1-12 (pp. 865-866)

Heather Altermatt

Meditation

"Brother James' Air"

Randal Turner, Baritone; Ruth Pfister, Piano

Text: Psalm 23; Music by James L. Bain (1840–1925), arr. Brian Dean

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

For Thou art with me; and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still.

My soul He doth restore again;
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
Ee'n for His own Name's sake.

My table Thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark veil,
Yet I will fear no ill;

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling place shall be.

New Testament Reading

Luke 15:1-7 (p. 1048)

Sermon

"Rejoice with Me"

Rev. Dr. Chris Dippenaar

***Hymn of Response #171 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"**

Words: Henry Williams Baker; Music: ancient Irish melody

GATHERING AT THE LORD'S TABLE

Invitation

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

The Lord's Prayer

The Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Blesson George, Elder for
Outreach & Missions

Offertory

Aria "Schafe können sicher weiden" Randal Turner, Baritone; Ruth Pfister, Piano
from the Cantata *Was mir behagt, ist nur die Muntre Jagd* BWV 208
Music: Johann Sebastian Bach

Schafe können sicher weiden, Wo ein guter Hirte wacht. Wo Regenten wohl regieren, Kann man Ruh und Friede spüren Und was Länder glücklich macht.	<i>Sheep may safely graze where a good shepherd watches over them. Where rulers are ruling well, we may feel peace and rest and what makes countries happy.</i>
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***Doxology #592** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Words: Thomas Ken; Music: Genevan Psalter

GOING WITH GOD'S MISSION AND BLESSING

Welcoming of Guests

Blesson George

Announcements

***Hymn of Dedication #387** "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Words: Thrupp's *Hymns for the Young*; Music: William Batchelder Bradbury

***Sending and Pastoral Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Chris Dippenaar

Postlude

Little Fugue Nr. 8 in B flat Major BWV 560
Johann Sebastian Bach

Ruth Pfister, Organ

Please remain quietly seated during the postlude. For those who need to leave, please do so quietly.

****Please stand if you are able.***

Today's bulletin cover is the stained-glass piece "The Parable of the Lost Sheep" by Lavers & Westlake, 1902.

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