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**October 11, 2020**

**9:30 am Parking Lot Worship**

**10:30 am Zoom Worship**

**Order of Worship**

*As we prepare for worship, please send your prayer requests by way of the “chat” function on Zoom or send a message through Facebook.*

**Prelude**

Musician Patrice Meschke

**Welcome**

Pastor Heidi Vardeman

**Gathering Hymn #368** *Peace Like a River*

I've got peace, love and joy like a river

I've got peace, love and joy like a river

I've got peace, love and joy like a river in my soul

*Repeat*

**Call to Worship**

Katrina Bergman



Sing to the Lord a new song!  
**Sing to the Lord all the earth!**  
Share the news of God's work every day!  
**Declare God's glory among the nations.**  
We stand in God's presence with our prayers and songs of praise.

## Hymn #525

*Here I Am, Lord*

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in deepest sin My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

*Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?*  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send?

*Refrain*

## Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will and we have broken the law of love. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Song of Rejoicing *The First Song of Isaiah*

*We sing the first stanza for ourselves as individuals:*

Surely, it is God who saves me;  
I will trust in him and not be afraid.  
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,  
and he will be my Savior.

*We sing the second stanza as a church, a community of faith:*

Surely, it is God who saves us;  
We will trust in him and not be afraid.  
For the Lord is our stronghold and our sure defense,  
and he will be our Savior.

## Passing the Peace

... The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*The pastor will now "unmute" all participants. Add video if you are on Zoom. Please greet one another by waving, smiling, or saying "Peace!"*

## Concerns of The Church

### Scripture Reading

Matthew 22:1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them.

"The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

### Sermon

#### Affirmation of Faith

*from a Brief Statement of Faith*

**We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love, God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.**

#### Sung Preparation for Prayer

*Lord, Listen to Your Children*

*(music at back of booklet)*

**Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Send us love, send us power, send us grace**

#### Sharing Our Prayer Concerns

*If you are on Zoom and able to "chat" you can share your prayer concern by clicking "everyone" or you can send a private message to Peace Presbyterian. If you are watching on Facebook, you can write your prayer as a comment on the livestream.*

#### Prayers of The People

##### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come, your will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

## The Offertory

## Doxology #591

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Christ all people here below  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore  
Praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.

## Prayer of Dedication

## Closing Hymn

*We Are Singing*

*(music at back of booklet)*

We are singing for the Lord is our light,  
We are singing for the Lord is our light,  
We are singing for the Lord is our light,  
We are singing for the Lord is, for the Lord is our light.  
We are singing, singing, we are singing, singing,  
We are singing for the Lord is our light.

## Benediction

## Fellowship

*Join us after the Zoom worship service for fellowship!*