

Order of Worship | March 19, 2023

11 AM

Worship Leader: Rev. Emily I. Miller



Prelude

Psalm 113

Psalm 113:5 "The Lord exalts the humble"

Introit

Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord

Teach me Thy way, O Lord, I will walk in Thy truth. Unite my heart to fear Thy name.

Welcome & Announcements

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Call to Worship

One: We come to sanctify ourselves.

Many: We come seeking to be worthy of our call.

One: The Lord looks not at our outward selves,

Many: but seeks to know what is in our hearts.

One: Let us learn what is pleasing to the Lord,

Many: that we might live as children of the Most High.

Opening Hymn #81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God.
God, whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for a blest abode.
On the rock of ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near.
Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,
Safe they feed upon the manna which God gives them when they pray.

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river ever flows, their thirst to assuage?
Grace, so like the Lord the giver, never fails from age to age.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Rev. Derek R. Davenport

Merciful God, in Jesus you show us a way that is humble and that seeks the good of others. We confess that we go our own way; we elevate ourselves and ignore the needs of others. Free us from the temptation to pursue our own pleasure only. Help us to live in harmony with all your people, sharing one world and eating around one table, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior, Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

One: Friends, this is the good news of the gospel.

Many: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Confession Response

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now,
And ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Children's Sermon

Anthem

I Will Arise

Chancel Choir

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me with His arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior. Oh! There are ten thousand charms.

Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above,
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it. Mount of Thy redeeming love

Come thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace.
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

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Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Luke 14:1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Everyday People

Rev. Emily I. Miller

Sermon Hymn #770

I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table

I'm gonna eat at the welcome table;
I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Alleluia.
I'm gonna eat at the welcome table;
I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Alleluia.

I'm gonna eat and drink with my Jesus;
I'm gonna eat and drink with my Jesus, Alleluia.
I'm gonna eat and drink with my Jesus;
I'm gonna eat and drink with my Jesus, Alleluia.

I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers;
I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers, Alleluia.
I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers;
I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers, Alleluia.

Here all the world will find a welcome;
Here all the world will find a welcome, Alleluia.
Here all the world will find a welcome;
Here all the world will find a welcome, Alleluia.

We're gonna feast on milk and honey;
We're gonna feast on milk and honey, Alleluia.
We're gonna feast on milk and honey;
We're gonna feast on milk and honey, Alleluia.

Offering & Offertory

Ev'ry Valley Shall Be Exalted

Paul Yeater, tenor

Every valley shall be exalted and every mountain and hill made low.
The crooked straight, and the rough places plain.

Doxology

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 and the Lord's Prayer

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.

Prayer Response

Song of Simeon

Lord God. You now have set Your servant free to go in peace as promised in Your word;
My eyes have seen the Savior, Christ the Lord. Prepared by You for all the world to see,
To shine on nations trapped in darkness night, this glory of Your people, and their light.

Closing Hymn #363

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing,
and triumph evermore.

Lift up your heart;
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again
I say, rejoice!

Our Savior, Jesus, reigns;
The God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains,
He took his seat above.

Lift up your heart;
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again
I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given.

Lift up your heart;
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again
I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope!
For Christ, the Judge, shall come
And gather all the saints
To their eternal home.

Lift up your heart;
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again
I say, rejoice!

Benediction

Postlude

Fugue in G Minor, BWV 542, "Great"

***The flowers today are given to the Glory of God
and in thankful memory of
Laura & Thurston Graden
by Beth Rom***

Worship Participants

Rev. Emily I. Miller

Rev. Derek R. Davenport

Mike Creamer

Michael Hammer – choir director/organist

Soloists:

Raymond Blackwell, Xiu-Ru Liu,

Anna Singer, and Paul Yeater

Ushers:

Judee Rooney

Tech Crew:

Dave Breit, Rici Brockinson,

Alexis Merritt, and Stephanie Smith

Credits

Psalm 113, *Franz van Tilsburg*

Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord, *Eric Thiman*

Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken, *Austrian Hymn*

Gloria Patri, *Gloria Patri*

I Will Arise, *trad.; arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw*

I'm Going to Eat at the Welcome Table, *Welcome Table*

Ev'ry Valley Shall Be Exalted from The Messiah, *G.F. Händel*

Doxology, *Old Hundredth*

Song of Simeon, *Orlando Gibbons, arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams*

Rejoice, the Lord Is King!, *Darwall's 148th*

Fugue in G Minor, Bwv 542, "Great", *J. S. Bach*

IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME HERE?

Thank you for visiting our church this morning. We'd love to reach out to you. Let us know you were here by putting your name and contact information in one of the pew pads. We welcome you to visit our website to learn more about ways you can take part in groups, classes, and events. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Sharon Barber (sbarber@sewickleypresby.org/412.741.4550).

Visit our website for complete details on events and groups that meet during the week.

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PRAYER NEEDS

Prayers for Comfort | For Erin Leghorn and her family on the death of her mother-in-law, Helen Leghorn.

Prayers for Presence and Healing | Boo Earlewine, Lisa Edelman, Craig Dobbins, Jeannette Lawrence, Jim Morrissey, Karen Pavlinich, Richard Potter (father of Dawn Borres), Bill Tranter, and Hudson Wear (grandson of Mary and Jim Wear).

**Please find a full list of Prayer Needs below.*

Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday | 9 AM - 5 PM
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PRAYER LIST

As of March 16, 2023

Please keep the following individuals in your prayers.
If you would like to be added to the list,
please visit our website for an online form,
or contact the church office.

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Continue to Pray for

Emily Ericson (niece of Ann Walker)
Suzie Gilliland
Beverly Harris
Jill Henke (cousin of Don Birnie)
Kathryn Kirk (mother of Annie Gensheimer)
Bob Kopf
Michele Madden (daughter-in-law of Bobbi Bonnett)

(please see page 2 on the back)

Ray Mazza (grandfather-in-law of Austin Braksick)
Corinne Meanor (member of Amigos)
Jason Merriman (son-in-law of Chris Standish)
Nate Moore (Edgeworth neighbor)
Cindy Mosholder (daughter of Virginia Picard)
Morna Murray
Kim Petro (mother of Jaimie Petro)
Mary Anne Riley
Anne Rockwell (sister-in-law of Liz Fecko)
Karen Safran
Hugh Wear (brother of Jim Wear)
Sue & Skooter Van Kirk (daughter-in-law and son of Jane Van Kirk)
Tony Zidansek

Continued Prayers for the Bereaved

Barker Family
Bobbi Bonnett
Childs Family
Craig Family
Cummins Family
Elste Family
Gebhardt Family
Johnson Family
Levine Family
McCargo Family
McQuone Family
Schober Family
Stevens Family
Szuba Family
Kelly Stover
Wardrop Family
Whalen Family
Wiegand Family
Williams Family
Wolf Family

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