



# THE LORD'S DAY

## Sunday, July 9, 2023

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Prelude

Margaret Bradly, Organ

#### \*Call to Worship

**Psalm 98:1,8-9**

“Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations....Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.”

#### \*Hymn of Praise

**“All Creatures of Our God and King”**

**#115**

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing alleluia, alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam.

**Refrain: O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n along, O praise him, alleluia!  
Thou rising moon in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice, **Refrain**

Thou flowing water, pure and clear, make music for thy Lord to hear, alleluia, alleluia!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright, that givest man both warmth and light, **Refrain**

And all ye men of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part, O sing ye, alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on him cast your care, **Refrain**

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one, **Refrain**

#### \*Prayer of Adoration 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.

## **Call to Confession:**

**Isaiah 6:1-5**

“In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: ‘Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!’ And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: ‘Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!’”

## **Prayer of Confession:**

Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Assurance of Pardon**

**Isaiah 6:6-7**

“Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: ‘Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for..’”

## **Sacrament of Baptism – Athena Grace Bukowski, daughter of Stephen and Emily Bukowski**

**\*Hymn of Preparation:    “Our Children, Lord, in Faith and Prayer”    #413 (to tune#164)**

Our children, Lord, in faith and pray’r, we now devote to thee;  
let them thy cov’nant mercies share, and thy salvation see.

Such helpless babes thou didst embrace, while dwelling here below;  
to us and ours, O God of grace, the same compassion show.

In early days their hearts secure from worldly snares, we pray,  
O let them to the end endure in every righteous way.

## Scripture Reading:

Genesis 6:9-22

<sup>9</sup>These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation. Noah walked with God. <sup>10</sup>And Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

<sup>11</sup>Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence. <sup>12</sup>And God saw the earth, and behold, it was corrupt, for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth. <sup>13</sup>And God said to Noah, "I have determined to make an end of all flesh for the earth is filled with violence through them. Behold, I will destroy them with the earth. <sup>14</sup>Make yourself an ark of gopher wood. Make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. <sup>15</sup>This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark 300 cubits, its breadth 50 cubits, and its height 30 cubits. <sup>16</sup>Make a roof<sup>Ⓜ</sup> for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above, and set the door of the ark in its side. Make it with lower, second, and third decks. <sup>17</sup>For behold, I will bring a flood of waters upon the earth to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life under heaven. Everything that is on the earth shall die. <sup>18</sup>But I will establish my covenant with you, and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. <sup>19</sup>And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every sort into the ark to keep them alive with you. They shall be male and female. <sup>20</sup>Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds, of every creeping thing of the ground, according to its kind, two of every sort shall come in to you to keep them alive. <sup>21</sup>Also take with you every sort of food that is eaten, and store it up. It shall serve as food for you and for them." <sup>22</sup>Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him.

## Pastoral Prayer

Mr. Andy Mitchell

## Scripture Reading

Psalms 104:1-35

Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, you are very great! You are clothed with splendor and majesty, <sup>2</sup> covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent. <sup>3</sup>He lays the beams of his chambers on the waters; he makes the clouds his chariot; he rides on the wings of the wind; <sup>4</sup>he makes his messengers winds, his ministers a flaming fire. <sup>5</sup>He set the earth on its foundations, so that it should never be moved. <sup>6</sup>You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains. <sup>7</sup>At your rebuke they fled; at the sound of your thunder they took to flight. <sup>8</sup>The mountains rose, the valleys sank down to the place that you appointed for them. <sup>9</sup>You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth. <sup>10</sup>You make springs gush forth in the valleys; they flow between the hills; <sup>11</sup>they give drink to every beast of the field; the wild donkeys quench their thirst. <sup>12</sup>Beside them the birds of the heavens dwell, they sing among the branches. <sup>13</sup>From your lofty abode you water the mountains the earth is satisfied with the fruit of your work.

<sup>14</sup>You cause the grass to grow for the livestock and plants for man to cultivate, that he may bring forth food from the earth <sup>15</sup>and wine to gladden the heart of man, oil to make his face shine and bread to strengthen man's heart. <sup>16</sup>The trees of the LORD are watered abundantly, the cedars of Lebanon that he planted. <sup>17</sup>In them the birds build their nests; the stork has her home in the fir trees. <sup>18</sup>The high mountains are for the wild goats; the rocks are a refuge for the rock badgers. <sup>19</sup>He made the moon to mark the seasons; the sun knows its time for setting. <sup>20</sup>You make darkness, and it is night, when all the beasts of the forest creep about. <sup>21</sup>The young lions roar for their prey, seeking their food from God. <sup>22</sup>When the sun rises, they steal away and lie down in their dens. <sup>23</sup>Man goes out to his work and to his labor until the evening. <sup>24</sup>O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. <sup>25</sup>Here is the sea, great and wide, which teems with creatures innumerable living things both small and great. <sup>26</sup>There go the ships, and Leviathan, which you formed to play in it. <sup>27</sup>These all look to you, to give them their food in due season. <sup>28</sup>When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. <sup>29</sup>When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. <sup>30</sup>When you send forth your Spirit, <sup>31</sup>they are created, and you renew the face of the ground. <sup>32</sup>May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works, <sup>33</sup>who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke! <sup>34</sup>I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. <sup>35</sup>May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD. <sup>36</sup>Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more! Bless the LORD, O my soul! Praise the LORD!

**Sermon**

**“Praise the Creator”  
“A Little Book of Psalms”**

**Rev. David Stewart**

**I. God Is Great**

**II. God Is Good**

**III. Made For Praise**

This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning 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 the rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget  
that though the wrong seems oft so strong God is the Ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world; the battle is not done;  
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heav'n be one.

## Benediction:

## Numbers 6:24-26

“The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.”

**\*Three-fold Amen.**

**\*Indicates congregation will stand, if able**

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YTD Offering	\$ 103,119.11
YTD Budget	\$ 100,980.00
Building Fund	\$ 135.00
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