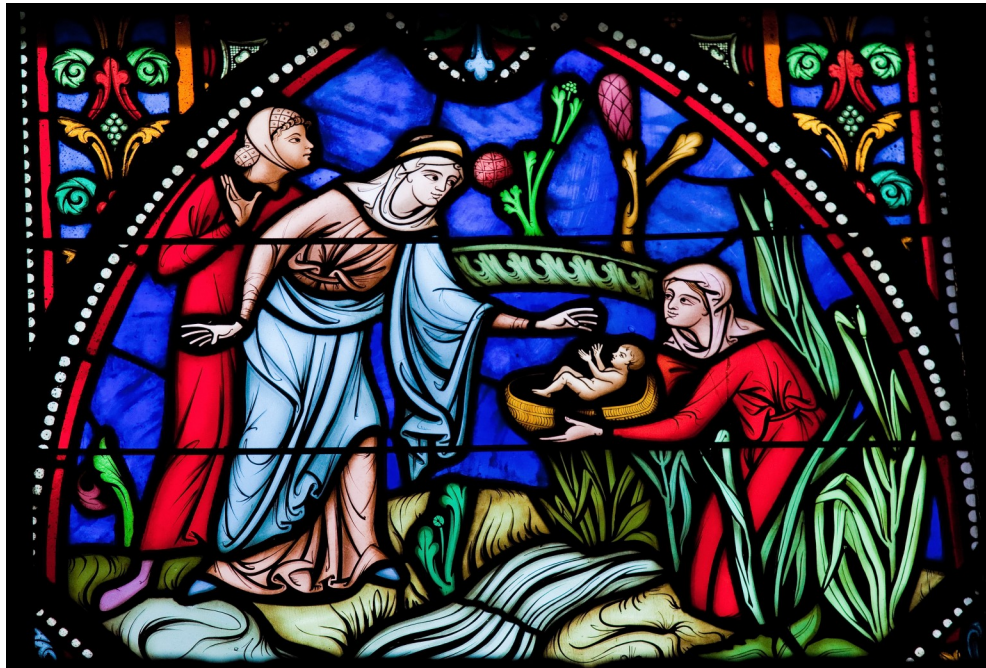


# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 20, 2021

Half Past Ten o'clock in the Morning



## WE PREPARE FOR THE WORD OF GOD

WESTMINSTER STRIKE

VOLUNTARY

*This Is My Father's World*

Ruth Mackie

INTROIT

*This Is My Father's World*

Carol McClure

*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.*

– Maltbie D. Babcock

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 138

I will give thanks to you, with all my heart, Lord!

**I will sing praise for your steadfast love and faithfulness.**

Because you have made your name and word greater than everything else.

**On the day I cried out you answered me, and you increased my soul with strength.**

†HYMN

*God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

NATIONAL HYMN

*1. God of the ages, whose almighty hand  
leads forth in beauty all the starry band  
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,  
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.*

*2. Thy love divine hath led us in the past.  
In this free land by thee our lot is cast.  
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay:  
thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.*

*3. From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,  
be thy strong arm our ever sure defense.  
Thy true religion in our hearts increase.  
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.*

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God our Redeemer, we confess that we remain captivated by sin.  
You let the oppressed go free, but we allow oppression to continue.  
You give away the keys to your kingdom, but we try to stand guard at the gates.  
Forgive us! Liberate us! Let us be no longer bound by sin, fear, or resignation.  
Instead, release us, restore us, and set us free to worship and serve you;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

†ASSURANCE OF PARDON

†PASSING THE PEACE

†RESPONSE TO PARDON

*God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

NATIONAL HYMN

*Refresh thy people on their toilsome way.  
Lead us from night to never-ending day.  
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,  
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.*

LIFE TOGETHER

Presbyterian Men's Servant of the Year presentation

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### 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.**

## WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

### FIRST LESSON | EXODUS 1:1-14, 22

These are the names of the sons of Israel who came to Egypt with Jacob, each with his household: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin, Dan and Naphtali, Gad and Asher. The total number of people born to Jacob was seventy. Joseph was already in Egypt. Then Joseph died, and all his brothers, and that whole generation. But the Israelites were fruitful and prolific; they multiplied and grew exceedingly strong, so that the land was filled with them.

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them..Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live."

### A TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

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†HYMN

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

DIX

*1. For the beauty of the earth,  
for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies:  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*2. For the joy of human love,  
Brother, sister, parent, child,  
Friends on earth, and friends above,  
For all gentle thoughts and mild:  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*3. For thyself, best gift diving  
To the world so freely given;  
For that great, great love of thine,  
Peace on earth and joy in heaven:  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
this our hymn of grateful praise.*

## SECOND LESSON | Exodus 2:1-10

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

How Did We Get Here?  
*(Journey to Promise – Part 1)*

Rev. Bob Scott

## A TIME FOR REFLECTION AND RESPONSE

*Reflect on the following questions, then briefly share your thoughts on the provided card or by email.*

- What is holding us back as a church, or holding us captive today?
- What is one issue we need to address in order to move forward as a church?

## WE RESPOND WITH GRATITUDE

### OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY ANTHEM                      *Leave Me, Loathsome Light!*, HWV 58                      George Frederick Handel  
*Lead me to Thy light! Receive me, Lord of might! In Thy light, hide me in Thy light. Receive me, Lord of might! Father, let not Thy limitless patience cease! Oh, turn me, nurture and bless my spirit with peace. Oh, rest my spirit again in peace.*

*Presented to the glory of God in memory of W. Wayne McMullen (1911-1958)  
and Trevor W. McMullen (1967-1917) by Keith McMullen, soloist.*

†DOXOLOGY                                      *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*                                      FAIRHILL

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.*

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN    *Men of Faith, Rise Up and Sing*    SMITH

*1. Men of faith, rise up and sing  
of the great and glorious King.  
You are strong when you feel weak;  
in your brokenness, complete.  
Shout to the north and the south;  
sing to the east and the west.  
Jesus is Savior to all,  
Lord of heaven and earth.*

*2. Rise up, women of the truth.  
Stand and sing to broken hearts  
who can know the healing power  
of our awesome King of love.  
Shout to the north and the south;  
sing to the east and the west.  
Jesus is Savior to all,  
Lord of heaven and earth.*

*3. Rise up, church, with broken wings;  
fill this place with songs again  
of our God who reigns on high;  
by God's grace again we'll fly.  
Shout to the north and the south;  
sing to the east and the west.  
Jesus is Savior to all,  
Lord of heaven and earth.  
He is Lord of heaven and earth.*

*We've been through fire;  
we've been through rain;  
we've been refined by the power of your name.  
We've fallen deeper in love with you.  
You've burned this truth on our lips.  
Shout to the north and the south;  
sing to the east and the west.  
Jesus is Savior to all,  
Lord of heaven and earth.*

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY

*In Thee Is Gladness, BWV 615*

Johann Sebastian Bach

*You are invited to welcome one another at a time of Fellowship immediately following in the Chapel.*



Assisting in the leadership of worship are  
Rev. Bob Scott, Senior Pastor; Rev. Dr. Dawn M. Haeger, Associate Pastor;  
Sheri Keown, Liturgist;  
members of the Summer Volunteer Choir;  
Timothy Belk, Director of Music Ministries.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*"I am the resurrection and the life..." Mary Pope, July 16, 1922 - June 16, 2021.*

**Virtual all-church Vacation Bible School (VBS)** - The sessions will be on-line and you can access them anytime you like. We will explore 1 story each week about Jesus meeting people at the table of fellowship. We are posting different Bible reflections for kids, youth & adults. You can choose from other activities as you have time or interest: cooking, science, worship/drama, games, arts/crafts.

Don't worry if you can't commit to 5 weeks or you are going on vacation. Once posted, the video sessions will remain for you to access as you are able. Please contact Pastor Dawn or the church office to register for this free program. You will need a password to access our private website.

June 21		1 Cor. 13	Focus on one of these characteristics of love each day this week.
June 22		1 Cor. 14	In what ways am I building up the church? Where am I causing conflict? Consider the phrase: "God isn't a God of disorder but of peace."
June 23		1 Cor. 15	What does Christ's resurrection mean to you? What is your hope?
June 24		1 Cor. 16	Why do you give, and what directs your giving to the church?
June 25		Ephesians 1	Reflect on all the blessings we have been given through Christ, listed in this chapter.

**GOOD GRIEF GROUP - Thursday, June 24, 10 a.m.;** Zoom link in Thursday, June 17 email.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** - Join us for Sunday School this summer. Beginning July 4 we will explore some of the divisive issue of our day, such as: climate change, immigration, Islamic extremism, racism, and more. This eight-week topical study will run through July and August; copies of our study book "*A House Divided*" by Rev. Mark Feldmeir, will be available at the church for \$15, or may be purchased individually on Amazon.

**SUMMER VOLUNTEER CHOIR - Sunday, June 27,** our morning worship service will include a summer volunteer choir. Any interested singers of all ages will gather in the Chancel at 9:30 a.m. for a brief rehearsal prior to the 10:30 a.m. worship hour. We will offer an anthem, response, and leadership for congregational singing.

If you have considered participating in the Worship and Music Ministry without a weekly commitment, summer volunteer choir is your three-week opportunity! If you would like to offer a vocal or instrumental solo any time throughout the liturgical year or have questions about summer volunteer choir, please contact Timothy Belk, Director of Music Ministries (Extension 224 or [tbelk@peacememorial.org](mailto:tbelk@peacememorial.org)).

**OUTDOOR EVENING WORSHIP** - Let's come together in praise and worship on the beautiful grounds of Peace Memorial. All are welcome to an evening service in the courtyard between Roebling Hall and the Sanctuary. These services will be less formal, but no less sacred than our Sunday morning gatherings.

We will meet at **6:00 pm** on the final Sunday of the month throughout the summer: **June 27, July 25 and August 29.**

- Doors open no earlier than thirty-minutes prior to the worship/concert hour. Please avoid congregating near entries;
- Masks are required of any person not fully immunized against COVID-19;
- Children are always welcome! A changing station is located in the Nursery Crib Room. Supervised child care is not available at this time;
- Physically distanced seating is not required. You are invited to sit as you are comfortable in the spacious Chapel or Sanctuary.

COVID-19 has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization and is known to be extremely contagious. Although it will endeavor to apply all reasonable health protocols, the Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church cannot guarantee you will not become exposed to or contract COVID-19 while attending one of our opportunities. Therefore, if you choose to attend, you acknowledge and accept the risk that you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting COVID-19, and you release and waive any claim and any right to bring suit against the Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church of Clearwater in Florida and its trustees, agents, employees, or other representatives for any harm, injury or damage arising therefrom.



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