

MORNING WORSHIP

September 10, 2017

Half past Ten O'Clock

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Rally Day/Jazz Service

*When the music begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation.
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE

The Jazz Quartet:
Will Campbell, saxophone; Keith Davis, piano; Ron Brendle, bass; Rick Dior, drums

CHORAL INTROIT

On My Way
Alissa Deeter, soloist with The Jazz Quartet

arr. Mahalia Jackson

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 150

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament!

Congregation: Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

Leader: Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

Congregation: Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

Leader: Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

Congregation: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

+*HYMN 272

God of the Sparrow

ROEDER

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Most holy and merciful God; We acknowledge and confess before You; our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good; and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned; in wandering from Your ways; in wasting Your gifts; in forgetting Your love. But You, O Lord, have mercy upon us; who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors; cleanse us from our secret faults; and forgive our sins; for the sake of Your dear Son. Most holy and loving God; help us to live in Your light and walk in Your ways; according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Philippians 1:9-11

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

Congregation: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*HYMN

Whispering Hope

Alice Hawthorne

**Soft as the voice of an angel, Breathing a lesson unheard,
Hope with a gentle persuasion Whispers her comforting word:
Wait till the darkness is over, Wait till the tempest is done,
Hope for the sunshine tomorrow, After the shower is gone.**

Refrain

**Whispering hope, oh how welcome thy voice,
Making my heart in its sorrow rejoice.**

**If, in the dusk of the twilight, Dim be the region afar,
Will not the deepening darkness Brighten the glimmering star?
Then when the night is upon us, Why should the heart sink away?
When the dark midnight is over, Watch for the breaking of day.**

Refrain

**Hope, as an anchor so steadfast, Rends the dark veil for the soul,
Whither the Master has entered, Robbing the grave of its goal.
Come then, O come, glad fruition, Come to my sad weary heart;
Come, O Thou blest hope of glory, Never, O never depart.**

Refrain

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Kim Lee

*Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, kindergarteners and first graders are invited to the Chapel.
They will return to the Sanctuary during the Doxology.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 1 (selected verses), pew Bible, p.991

SERMON

“Jesus Is...Lord??”

Rush Otey

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

True Light

*DOXOLOGY (*Hymn 592*)

OLD HUNDREDTH

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, concluding with the Lord’s Prayer

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

RECEIVING THE LOAF AND CUP

To receive the bread and the cup – process down the center aisle, take a piece of bread; dip the bread in the cup, and return to your pew by the outside aisles. If for any reason you prefer not to come forward, please raise your hand and the Elders will be glad to serve you in your pew. If you would like gluten free bread, please go to the server nearest the flowers (pulpit side) and indicate your preference to the Elder.

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand
Just a Closer Walk with Thee
I Want Jesus to Walk With Me*

Lord, our God, in Your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, You have made us Your children. And now we have again heard Your call and have received the blessing and assurance of the sacrament. We lay in Your hands whatever afflicts us and whatever we need. Continue to be among us and instruct us, so that all that is fearful and despairing, all that is vain and defiant, even all of our unbelief and superstition, may be made small, so that You can show us how great and good You are. Let our hearts continue to go out to one another so that we may understand and help each other, so that this may be an hour of light in which we see heaven open and then a brightness upon this earth. Amen.

*HYMN (Insert) *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

*BENEDICTION *Whenever God Shines His Light* Van Morrison

*CHORAL AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *When the Saints Go Marching In*

*Those who are able, please stand. +Ushers may seat late worshipers

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate, or bring it after worship to one of the ministers.

Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) reaffirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved away for military service, education, or work, and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (you have recently moved to this area and your membership is still elsewhere, or you simply seek to become part of Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church in your faith journey).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Conversations, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn together about all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

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