



July 9, 2023
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Welcome

Prelude

Abiding Faith

Stairs

The prelude signals the beginning of our sacred time together. During the prelude, you are invited to prepare your heart for worship by focusing your attention upon God.

*Call to Worship

Meghan Walker

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

sing the glory of his name;

give to him glorious praise!

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

All the earth worships you

and sings praises to you;

they sing praises to your name.—Psalm 66:1-4

*Opening Prayer

Meghan Walker

Mighty God, everything you do reveals your glory and majesty. Open our eyes to see what you are doing in our lives. Let us marvel at your good gifts and your wise provision. Your acts are amazing Lord. We cannot comprehend the number of blessings you pour out on us from day to day. As we gather today around your name, we pray that you would fill our hearts, our minds, and our souls. Transform us Lord and make us more like you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

* Hymn

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Meghan Walker

When Jesus left his disciples, he did not leave them alone. He promised that the Holy Spirit would be present in their lives, and he gave them an amazing gift: his peace, the peace of Christ. Through the Spirit, this gift lives still, and it is ours to share with others. Please turn to those around you and greet them with the peace of Christ by saying...

Peace be with you. **And also with you.**

Children's Time

Pastor Larry

Ministry of Music

He Shall Come Down Like the Rain

Choir

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Understanding

All Praying

Meghan Walker

Holy and gracious God, may your Holy Spirit give us a spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that, with the eyes of our hearts enlightened, we may know the hope to which Christ has called us, the riches of his glorious inheritance among us, and the greatness of his power for those who believe. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 122

Meghan Walker

*** Hymn**

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

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New Testament Reading

Romans 12:1-2

Meghan Walker

Gospel Reading

Mark 1:21-39

Meghan Walker

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Momentum for the Journey: Devotion to God

Pastor Larry

The Apostles' Creed

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Meghan Walker

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,**

suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;*
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic** church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Larry

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Larry

Offertory Invitation

Meghan Walker

We are called to plant seeds of grace, hope, love and justice and to wait for God's mystery to work in the hearts and minds of others. The gifts we offer for Harmony's ministry and mission are seeds that reap a harvest beyond our imagining. With grateful hearts, let us make our offerings to God.

Worship with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Souvenir

Scott

**Doxology Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Prayer of Dedication*

Meghan Walker

Lord, help us to feel thankful for everything that you've given us. We worship and praise you with our gifts. Our prayer this morning is that through us, the world will see Christ's light and come to know your goodness. Please take our gifts, given today and through our online giving, and use them to strengthen Harmony's ministries, here at home and elsewhere in the world. Amen.

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

*** Closing Hymn**

I Am Thine, O Lord

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Benediction

Pastor Larry

Choral Benediction

Go, Ye, Go Ye Into the World

*Go ye, go ye into the world,
and make disciples of all the nations.*

*Go ye, go ye into the world,
and I will be with you there.*

Postlude

Our Refuge and Strength

Callender

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

*O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!*

*2. My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honors of thy name.*

*3. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.*

*4. He breaks the power of canceled sin,
he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean;
his blood availed for me.*

*5. He speaks, and listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.*

*6. Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
your loosened tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Savior come,
and leap, ye lame, for joy.*

*7. In Christ, your head, you then shall know,
shall feel your sins forgiven;
anticipate your heaven below,
and own that love is heaven.*

BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD

*Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.*

*2. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will,
to do and to endure.*

*3. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
till all this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.*

*4. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.*

I AM THINE, O LORD

*I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice,
and it told thy love to me;
but I long to rise in the arms of faith
and be closer drawn to thee.*

Refrain:

***Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
to the cross where thou hast died.
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
to thy precious, bleeding side.***

*2. Consecrate me now to thy service, Lord,
by the power of grace divine;
let my soul look up with a steadfast hope,
and my will be lost in thine.*

(Refrain)

*3. O the pure delight of a single hour
that before thy throne I spend,
when I kneel in prayer, and with thee, my God,
I commune as friend with friend!*
(Refrain)

*4. There are depths of love that I cannot know
till I cross the narrow sea;
there are heights of joy that I may not reach
till I rest in peace with thee.*
(Refrain)