



# Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church

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## Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 3, 2017 at 10:30 am

### SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

#### Word and Sacrament

*Please silence your cellular telephones and other electronic devices.*

*We encourage you to begin this time of worship in silent prayer.*

#### Prayer of Preparation

Lord of all power and might, who is the author and giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true faith, nourish us with goodness and give us willing hearts to follow your calling, that we might bring forth a harvest of good fruits; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

#### PRELUDE

O Gott, du frommer Gott

*Johannes Brahms*

(from *Eleven Chorale Preludes*, Op. 122)

(1833-1897)

**Dr. Richard T. Bouchett, guest organist**

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

**Andrew D. Smothers**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon God's holy name,

**People: Make known God's deeds among all peoples,**

Leader: Sing to the Lord, sing praises all the day long,

**People: Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.**

Leader: In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

**People: Let us worship God.**

\*Let all who are able stand.

\*HYMN 416

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

*Westminster Abbey*

#### CONFESSION OF SIN (*unison*)

**Christina A. Cosby**

**Almighty and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

*(Silence for personal confession)*

#### LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Deutsche Messe*)

*Franz Schubert*

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.  
Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.  
Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: ... Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

## \*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

All crea-tures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us  
sing, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Thou burn-ingsun with golden  
beam, Thou sil-ver moon with soft-er gleam, Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le-  
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

Text: Francis of Assisi, 1225; trans. William H. Draper, 1910  
Music: *Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, 1623; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

## \*SUMMARY OF THE LAW

## \*PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor: Since we have been reconciled to God in Jesus Christ,  
let us be reconciled to one another.

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Greet one another with signs of Christ's peace.

*Please greet those around you with: "The peace of Christ be with you,"  
responding, "And also with you."*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Deacon Katie Keiley**

## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 3:1-15

*(nrsv, page 48 OT)*

## \*PSALM 105:1-6, 23-26

*Ellacombe*

1. We give you thanks, O Lord, our God! We call up - on your name, We  
2. We seek your pres-ence and your strength, your won-drous works of grace. Your  
3. You brought them out with wealth and gold, sure - foot-ed, ev' - ry - one. Their  
4. They cried for food, you an - swered them With quail and heav-n'ly bread, and  
5. You brought your peo- ple out with joy, Your cho-sen ones with song. You

must make known your might - y deeds to heal our peo-ple's pain. This  
judg-ments and your mi - ra - cles, are trea - sured in this place. As  
foes were glad that they were gone, so dread had they be - come. You  
wa - ter gush - ing from the rock that filled dry ri - ver - bed. For  
gave to them the na - tions' land, You made their lea - ders strong That



song of thanks and praise we raise to you, O liv - ing Lord. And  
 Ja - cob's chil - dren, A - bram's heirs, You chose us as your own. With  
 spread your glo - ry ov - er them, A cov' - ring for the day, with  
 A - bram's sake you cared for them and gave them food and drink, Your  
 they might keep your co - ve - nant, Its laws and sta - tutes true, And



glo - ry in your ho - ly name, let your name be a - dored!  
 joy - ful hearts we seek you Lord, to make your glo - ry known.  
 fire to give them light by night and help them on their way.  
 co - ve - nant is sure and true, From this you will not shrink.  
 so we've gath - ered in this place, O Lord, to wor - ship you.

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 Music: Wirtemberg Hofkapelle Gesanbuch, 1784

*(Following the final stanza of the psalm, children and young people are invited to come forward, gathering around the Baptismal Font for the Lesson for Young Christians.)*

**LESSON FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS &  
 DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP**

**Mr. Smothers**

*Children preschool through 3rd grade may exit to the Phillips Lounge. The children return to the Sanctuary at the Doxology to participate in the rest of the service.*

**EPISTLE LESSON**

Romans 12:9-21  
*(nrsv, page 151 NT)*

**Ms. Cosby**

**GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 16:21-28  
*(nrsv, page 17 NT)*

**Mr. Smothers**

**SERMON**

***"Finding Peace in Sacrifice"***

**Mr. Smothers**

**\*HYMN 393**

Take Up Your Cross

*Bourbon*

**\*THE NICENE CREED**

**Ms. Cosby**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Mr. Smothers

...Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Mr. Smothers

## PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO

O Divine Redeemer

Charles Gounod  
(1818-1893)

Ah! Turn me not away,  
Receive me though unworthy;  
Hear thou my cry,  
Behold, Lord, my distress!  
Answer me from thy throne  
Haste thee, Lord to mine aid,  
Thy pity shew in my deep anguish!  
Let not the sword of vengeance smite me,  
Though righteous thine anger,  
O Lord! Shield me in danger, O regard me!  
On thee, Lord, alone will I call.  
O Divine Redeemer!  
I pray thee, grant me pardon,  
And remember not my sins!  
Forgive me, O Divine Redeemer!  
Night gathers round my soul;  
Fearful, I cry to thee;  
Come to mine aid, O Lord!  
Haste thee, Lord, haste to help me!  
Hear my cry! Save me, Lord, in thy mercy;  
Come and save me, O Lord,  
Save, in the day of retribution,  
From death shield thou me, O my God!  
O Divine Redeemer, have mercy!  
Help me, my Savior!

Desirée Baxter, alto

\*DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise God, all crea - tures  
here be - low; Praise God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly  
host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*(The table of our Lord Jesus Christ is open to all who are baptized. Those who do not wish to take Communion are invited to remain seated in prayer. You are asked to join in the responses as indicated.)*

### INVITATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### COMMUNION PRAYER

“...who forever sing to the glory of your name:”

SANCTUS

Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
 might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
 God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
 full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - sa - na in the  
 high - est. Ho - sa - na in the high - est.

*(Communion Prayer continues) "... the mystery of faith:"*

ACCLAMATION

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

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.**

BREAKING BREAD & SHARING THE CUP

**Pastor:** Gifts of God for the people of God.

**People:** Let us keep the feast.

DISTRIBUTION

*When the pastors take their serving places, please come forward, using the center aisle, beginning with the front row. The white bread is made from wheat; darker bread in the center is gluten-free rice bread. The bronze chalices contain wine; the glass chalices contain grape juice. Hold out your hands, one open palm placed on the other, and bread will be placed in your hand. For rice bread, please take it yourself, exercising care not to touch other pieces. You may eat the bread and move to the cup of wine to drink or dip your bread before eating, or move to the cup of juice and dip your bread, exercising care not to touch the liquid or cup with your fingers. Those unable to come forward will be served in their pews. If not communing, please remain in your pew in prayer.*

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS

*Once you have communed, you may return to your pew, or you may join one of the pastors in the side transepts for anointing, laying on of hands and prayers for yourself or for another. Thereafter you may return to your pew.*

