Wesley United Methodist Church

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

November 7, 2021

24th Sunday after Pentecost

At Wesley we foster a sanctuary culture by creating a safe environment where all feel welcomed, loved, accepted, valued, and affirmed for who they are, through intentional practices such as empathy, compassion, generosity, hospitality, and inclusion.

For the safety of every worshipper, please observe the following guidelines regardless of your vaccine status.

- Wear a mask covering your mouth and nose all the time during worship.
- Keep social distancing in your sanctuary seating.
- Please let an usher know if you have questions, need assistance, or have a concern about health or safety.

Prelude

William Ness, organ

Psalm Prelude Op. 32, no. 2

Herbert Howells 1892-1983

But the gentle shall inherit the land and shall delight themselves in plenty of peace.

Psalm 37:11

Greeting & Announcement

*Call to Worship

Debbie O'Driscoll, Liturgist

One:

O sing to God a new song; sing to God, all the earth.

Many: Sing to God, bless God's holy name; tell of God's salvation from day to day.

Declare God's glory among the nations, God's marvelous works among all the peoples. One:

Many: Honor and majesty are before God; strength and beauty are in God's sanctuary.

All: Worship God in holy splendor; tremble before God, all the earth.

Hymn Interpretation

All My Hope Is Firmly Grounded

UMH 132

All my hope is firmly grounded in the great and living Lord; who, whenever I most need him, never fails to keep his word. God I must wholly trust, God the ever good and just.

But, in every time and season, out of love's abundant store, God sustains the whole creation, fount of life forevermore. We who share earth and air count on God's unfailing care.

^{*}Please stand in body or in spirit

Common Prayer (unison)

Govern all by your wisdom, O Lord, so that my soul may always be serving you as you will, and not as I may choose. Do not punish me, I beseech you, by granting that which I wish or ask, if it offend your love, which would always live in me. Let me die to myself, that I may serve you; let me live to you, who in yourself is the true life. Amen.

Praise Song Interpretation

Desmond Cheatham

Me yi N'ayε (I Will Praise Him)

Me yi n'ayε, Me yi Nyamea' yε...

Me yi Nyamea' yε, Halleluyah, Halleluyah, Halleluyah ...

English:

I will praise God, I will praise my God...

I will praise my God, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah...

Joy Like A River

Joy like a river in my soul...

Ministry Moments: Music Ministries

William Ness

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Gospel Reading Mark 12:38-44

Message Rev. Byungmoo Lee

Holy Communion

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the One who delivers us.

Let us give thanks to our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, Always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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God of Mary and Joseph,
God of apostles and martyrs,
God of our mothers and our fathers,
God of our children to all generations.

You created for yourself a world filled with diversity and blessed by your breath of life. In mercy, while we still held to the chains of pride, self-righteousness, and historic egos, you loved us steadfastly and delivered us to reflect the beauty and diversity of your grace, to bring us into a community of love, hope, and peace. And so, with all your people on earth, in every place where two or more are gathered in your name and all the company of heaven who have gone before us, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of God. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection, you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

Renew our communion with all your saints. Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, strengthen us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Child Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.

Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.

Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King.

Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.

Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.

Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasurestore.

Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Benediction

Postlude

William Ness, organ

Toccata for Organ

John Weaver 1937-2021

On your way out you may leave your tithe/offering and attendance slip in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary. You can also mail your offering to the church or give online via church website (wesleyworc.org).

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