

Christ Church United Methodist

May 24, 2020

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Jacob Cogman

PRELUDE

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
Ben Williams, oboe

arr. Lloyd Larson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let God arise and God's enemies be scattered.

People: **Our God is a God who saves.**

Leader: Alleluia! Sing praises to God, all peoples of the world.

People: **Our God is a God who saves.**

Leader: From the sanctuary of heaven, God gives life and renews the face of the earth.

People: **Our God is a God who saves.**

Leader: The Lord gives strength to the weary and enacts justice for the oppressed.

People: **Our God is a God who saves.**

Leader: Hosanna! Blessed be the rock of our salvation.

People: **Our God is a God who saves.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Standing on the Promises

Hymn 374

Standing on the promises of Christ my King, through eternal ages let his praises ring;
glory in the highest, I will shout and sing, standing on the promises of God.

Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail, when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail, standing on the promises of God.

Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord, bound to him eternally by love's strong cord,
overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword, standing on the promises of God.

Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises I cannot fall, listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
resting in my Savior as my all in all, standing on the promises of God.

Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

INVITATION

Rev. Jacob Cogman

Pastor: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live
in peace with one another.

Therefore let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

People: Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Let us all pray silently and confess our sins to God.
(All pray in silence)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Pastor: Now hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners.
That proves God's love for us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

All: **Glory to God. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Dr. Leanne Hadley

OFFERING

OFFERING OF MUSIC

There is a Balm in Gilead
Michael Bolden, soloist

traditional

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Hymn 95

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 68: 1-6; 19-20

Bob and Cindy Schiavone

SERMON

Standing on the Promises

Rev. Rebecca Curry

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

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Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

The Pastor concludes:

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Pastor concludes:

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.

The Pastor concludes:

All honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

Amen, amen, amen.

Pastor: And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

Pastor: Eternal God, we give thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

CLOSING HYMN

Blessed Assurance

Hymn 369

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

SENDING FORTH

Rev. Rebecca Curry

POSTLUDE

Sich üben im Lieben, BWV 202, No. 7
Ben Williams, oboe

J.S. Bach