

August 9, 2015 — Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

We Come Together as God's People

Prelude *Benedictus*, Op. 59 Max Reger
Dale Caldwell, organ (1873-1916)

Introit *Kyrie* (from *St. Nicholas Mass*) Joseph Haydn
Summer Choir (1732-1809)
Dr. Michelle L. Louer, director

* **Call to Worship** Rev. Joyce E. Hunn

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

* **Opening Prayer** (by Benedict of Nursa c.480-547)

Leader: O gracious and holy God, give us diligence to seek you,
wisdom to perceive you, and patience to wait for you.
People: **Grant us, O God, a mind to meditate on you; eyes to
behold you; ears to listen to your word; a heart to love
you; and a life to proclaim you; through the power of the
Spirit of Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen.**

*+ **Hymn #476** *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!* LYONS
(Verses 1-4)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Rain upon our dry and dusty lives.
All: **Wash away our sin and heal our wounded spirits.**

Silent Confession

All: **Kindle within us the fire of your love to burn away our
apathy. With your warmth bend our rigidity, and guide
our wandering feet in the way of Jesus Christ, whose way
is perfect freedom. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

* **Response of Praise** LYONS

**Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.**

* **Passing of the Peace**

*+ **Hymn #391** *Take My Life* HENDON
(Verses 1-4)

* Those who are able may stand. + Latecomers may be seated.



Welcome! We are so glad to have you with us in worship this morning. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please fill out one of the "welcome" cards in the pew rack so we may greet you and respond to any questions you might have.

INTROIT

Kyrie

*Kyrie eleison,
Christe eleison,
Kyrie eleison.*

Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy.

HYMN #476

O Worship the King, All Glorious

Above! expresses reverence for the God of creation. It is based on Psalm 104. Rather than being a paraphrase of the psalm, however, the hymn is a meditation on its theme of creation. Stanzas 1-3, which allude to Psalm 104:1-6, focus on God's creation as a testimony to Divine "power and might." More personal in tone, stanzas 4 and 5 confess the compassion of God toward creation. The text has few equals in expressive lyrics. Each of the epithets applied to God – King, Shield, Defender, Ancient of Days, Maker, Redeemer, Friend – as well as such vivid imagery as – "His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form," and the references to God's attributes – power, might, grace, bountiful care, love – all combine to describe with literary eloquence and spiritual warmth the majesty and praise-worthiness of our God.

HYMN #391

Take My Life and Let It Be is a "catalog" hymn that lists aspects of our lives and offers them in Christ's service. Frances Havergal's text is based upon Romans 12:1: "I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship." Offered in service to God and neighbor are "life, moments, hands, feet, voice, lips, silver and gold, intellect, will, heart, love and self."

PARENTS: TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Following Time with the Children, Children's Ministry staff will meet children up through 2nd grade at the pulpit door to escort them to the nursery (age 2 and under) or to Children's Chapel Sunday School (ages 3 - 2nd grade). Before sending your child forward for the Time with Children, please fill out a name tag (in the pew racks) place half on your child's back and bring the other half when you pick up your child. Children ages 3rd grade and older remain in worship with their families. Worship Bags and Children's Bulletins are available at each entrance to the sanctuary.

Infant Nursery (240)
 Toddlers, 2s and 3s (233)
 Children's Chapel Sunday School (206)

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION AND WHOLENESS

10:35 a.m. in Milner Chapel
 Rev. Madison M. VanVeelen

News Within the Church Family

Welcome:

Theodore Rex Gordner, son of
 Louis and Eliza Gordner
 Birthdate: July 28, 2015

Hospitalized:

Al Haboush

**Ritual of Friendship
 and the Concerns of the Church**

Rev. David A. Berry

We Experience God's Word

Time with the Children (11:00)

Prayer of Illumination

Fred Parker (9:30)

Jeff Reese (11:00)

First Lesson Psalm 34:1-3, 17-22 (Responsively)

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times;
 his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: **My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
 let the humble hear and be glad.**

Leader: O magnify the LORD with me,
 and let us exalt his name together.

People: **When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears,
 and rescues them from all their troubles.**

Leader: The LORD is near to the brokenhearted,
 and saves the crushed in spirit.

People: **Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
 but the LORD rescues them from them all.**

Leader: He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken.

People: **Evil brings death to the wicked,
 and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.**

Leader: The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
 none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

Anthem

Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me

K. Lee Scott

(b. 1950)

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
 Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;
 And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;
 And, with actions bold and meek, For Christ, my Savior, speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
 Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;
 And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;
 And, with actions brotherly, Speak Christ's sincerity.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
 Show thy mercy tenderly, Make me more like thee;
 Separate from sin, I would And cherish all things good,
 And whatever I can be Give him who gave me thee.

Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;
 Help me now thy pow'r to see, I would be like thee;
 'Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;
 Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory.

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would be like thee!

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Second Lesson Ephesians 2:1-10 (p. 1064)

Sermon Dr. Lewis F. Galloway

“God's Handiwork”

*“For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works,
which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.”*

(EPHESIANS 2:10)

Sermon Response HENDON

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee,
Ever, only, all for Thee.

We Give Thanks to God

Invitation to Discipleship

* Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed (Traditional) (See sidebar)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (Hymnal p. 16)

Offertory *I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes* Leo Sowerby
John Brewer, tenor (1895-1968)

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help?
My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: He that keepeth thee will not slumber.
Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord is thy keeper; thy shade upon thy right hand.
The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.
The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil, He shall preserve thy soul.
The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth,
and even for evermore.

Psalm 121

* Doxology and the Prayer of Thanksgiving (See sidebar)

We Go Forth to Serve

* Closing Hymn #554 *Let All Things Now Living* ASH GROVE

* Charge and Benediction

* Benediction Response *The Grace of the Lord* Roberta Bitgood
(1908-2007)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.

* Postlude *Toccata in e minor, Op. 65* Max Reger

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Re-imagining Service: the Church as Christ's Servant in the World.

This 7-week series is based on Paul's Letter to the Ephesians. Future Sunday texts are:
August 16 - Ephesians 2:11-22
August 23 - Ephesians 3:1-13
August 30 - Ephesians 4:1-16.
September 6 - Ephesians 4:25- 5:2
September 13 - Ephesians 6:10-17

You can also review previous sermons at SecondChurchMedia.org.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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 #554

Let All Things Now Living employs Old Testament images to call forth praise from all creatures. It offers that praise to God the creator. It is God who made us, God who sustains us, God who guides us and God who has delivered and redeemed us. In response, we join our praise to the universal song of "hosanna and praise."

POSTLUDE NOTE

Reger's toccatas, unlike French models featuring continuous motion, are highly sectional but tightly woven together by the melodic material. They combine the contrapuntal technique of Bach with the unpredictable harmonies of Wagner.