

I am the gate for the sheep...
whoever enters through me will be saved.

John 10:7b.9

# **Grove Presbyterian Church**

Digital Worship Service May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 10:15 AM



Sanctuary flowers are given by Dave and Cathy Sanders to the Glory of God and in honor of health care workers, first responders, and all essential employees.

Participants in today's service: Charlotte Clapper (welcome), Adam Zakarian (worship leader), Eric Deeter, Kessey Keiselhorst, Cathy Sanders, and Adam Zakarian (vocal music), Lynne Pabst (children's sermon), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Jason Clapper.

#### "God You're So Good"

# Gathering Hymn

## "Let All Things Now Living"

- 1. Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God our Creator triumphantly raise;
- who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, by guiding us on to the end of our days.
- God's banners are o'er us; pure light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night:
- till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished, as forward we travel from light into light.
  - 2. By law God enforces, the stars in their courses, the sun in its orbit obediently shine;
- the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.
  - We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration, a song let us raise, till all things now living unite in thanksgiving: to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

## Call to Worship

Sisters and brothers, let us gather together with glad and generous hearts.

For many signs and wonders are being done among us.

Let us break bread together and share our lives in common.

Let us give what we can to all who have needs so that all people, no matter who they are, may regard us with good will.

Let us devote ourselves to our prayers and to the gospel.

For in this way God will add to our numbers every day.

Now, Friends, in as much as God is our shepherd, let us not fear, but confess our sin that God may restore our souls. Join me in the prayer of confession:

## **Prayer of Confession**

Holy One, we confess to you and to one another that we have not always followed Christ's example. When we have been abused, we have been abusive in return. We have gone astray. Lead us back into your fold and guard our souls in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### Assurance of Pardon

Now, Friends, the promise of our faith is that if we entrust ourselves to the One who judges justly, we need not feel threatened, for we will be returned to righteousness. Having been brought back into the safety of God's fold, let us share our peace with one another.

Passing of the Peace

Children's Sermon

Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 34:1-6

New Testament Lesson: John 10:1-10

Sermon: "A Calm Shout and a Loud Whisper"

Special Music

#### "How Beautiful"

How beautiful the hands that served
The wine and the bread and the sons of the earth.
How beautiful the feet that walked
The long dusty roads and the hill to the cross.

*Chorus:* How beautiful, how beautiful, How beautiful is the body of Christ.

How beautiful the heart that bled,
That took all my sin and bore it instead.
How beautiful the tender eyes
That chose to forgive and never despise.

And as He laid down His life, we offer this sacrifice; That we will live just as He died, Willing to pay the price... How beautiful the radiant Bride
Who waits for her Groom with His light in her eyes.
How beautiful when humble hearts give
The fruit of pure lives so that others may live. *Chorus*How beautiful the feet that bring
The sound of good news and the love of the King.
How beautiful the hands that serve
The wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. *Chorus* 

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Special Music

#### "Come to The Table"

We all start on the outside, the outside looking in;
This is where grace begins.
We were hungry, we were thirsty, with nothing left to give.
Oh the shape that we were in.

Just when all hope seemed lost, Love opened the door for us.

Chorus: (He said) come to the table, Come join the sinners who have been redeemed. Take your place beside the Savior, sit down and be set free.

Come meet this motley crew of misfits, these liars and these thieves.

There's no one unwelcome here, so that sin and shame that you've brought with you, you can leave it at the door.

And let mercy draw you near.

To the thief and to the doubter, to the hero and the coward;
To the prisoner and the soldier, to the young and to the older;
All who hunger, all who thirst, all the last and all the first;
All the paupers and the princes, all who've failed: you've been forgiven.
All who dream and all who suffer, all who've loved and lost another;
All the chained and all the free, all who follow all who lead;
Anyone who's been let down, all the lost you have been found
All who've been labeled right or wrong, to everyone who hears this song.

Woah sit down and be set free, come to the table...

Just sit down and rest awhile...come to the table.

## **Holy Communion**

## **Apostle's 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.

### **Blessing**

## Sending Hymn

## "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again; unseen wings protecting hide you, daily manna still provide you: God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again; when life's perils thick confound you, put unfailing arms around you: God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again; keep love's banner floating o'er you; smite death's threatening wave before you:

God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

by Ralph Vaughan Williams

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