




Grove Presbyterian Church
Worship Service
Third Sunday after Pentecost
June 21st, 2020 10:15 AM

Sanctuary flowers are given today to the Glory of God
 and in honor of Elaine and Bob Andrews
on their 45th wedding anniversary.

Participants in today's service: Kessey Kieselhorst (worship leader),
Greg Bitler, Eric Deeter, Kessey Kieselhorst and Cathy Sanders (music),
Rob Cooney (children's sermon), Scott Lawvere (recording),
Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Jason Clapper

Welcome

Announcements

Prelude arranged by Dennis Eliot

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

Call to Worship

Leader: To you, O Lord, we lift our souls;
to you we offer our lives.

**All: For you are good and forgiving,
and abounding in steadfast love.**

Leader: In heaven, on earth, there is none like you.
Your works are beyond compare.

**All: For you are great; you work wonders.
You alone are God.**

Gathering Hymn

“God Is Calling through the Whisper”

God is calling through the whisper of the Spirit’s deepest sighs,
through the thrill of sudden beauties that can catch us by surprise.
Flash of lightning, crash of thunder; hush of stillness, rush of wonder:

God is calling—can you hear? (2x)

God is calling through the voices of our neighbors’ urgent prayers,
through their longing for redemption and for rescue from despair.

Place of hurt or face of needing; strident cry or silent pleading:

God is calling—can you hear? (2x)

God is calling through the music of sublime and human arts,
through the hymns of earth and angels, and the carols of our hearts.
Lift of joy and gift of singing; days and nights our praises bringing:

God is calling—and we hear! (2x)

Prayer of Confession

Leader: "Do not fear," you tell us.

**All: But we cower before threats to our comfort and security,
Not trusting your promise to care for us nor
boldly stepping forward in faith.**

Leader: "Take up the cross," you tell us.

**All: But we live as though death still holds
dominion, and refuse to take risks for the sake
of the gospel; we fail to challenge powers that
diminish and principalities that destroy.**

Leader: Forgive us, Lord.

**All: Help us to live with you and for you.
Make us worthy to bear the name of Christ.**

Assurance of Pardon

Jesus does not say that discipleship is easy. He says that we are called to serve and that he will be with us. That is truly good news. Our service will be supported and encouraged by our Lord who has healed and restored us. Rejoice! For you have been called and made whole by the love of God. **Amen.**

Choral Response

**I will serve Thee because I love Thee;
You have given life to me.
I was nothing before You found me;
You have given life to me.**

Passing of the Peace

Children's Sermon

Old Testament Lesson:

Jeremiah 20:7-13

New Testament Lesson:

Matthew 10:24-39

Sermon:

“You Lied to Me, God”

Special Music

“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear

And grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Chorus: My chains are gone, I've been set free.

My God, my Savior has ransomed me.

And like a flood His mercy rains, unending love amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine

But God who called me here below, will be forever mine...

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer debts/debtors)

Sending Hymn

“I, The Lord of Sea and Sky”

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*
I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide, till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

Blessing

Postlude

G. F. Handel

“Where’er You Walk”

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