



*The Lord said:*

*Go where I tell you...*

*I will bless you...*

*I will make you  
a blessing.*

**Genesis 12:1-8**

# **Grove Presbyterian Church**

*Welcome to Outdoor Worship in the Grove*

**Worship Service**  
**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 10:15 AM**

Welcome

Announcements

Prelude

by Dr. William Pitts

**“Church in the Wildwood”**

Call to Worship

One: Let us worship the eternal God,

**All: The source of love and life, who creates us.**

One: Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one, who lives among us.

**All: Let us worship the Spirit, the holy fire, who renews us. To the one true God be praise in all times and places, through the grace of Jesus Christ.**

Gathering Praise Medley

**I come with joy, a child of God,  
forgiven, loved, and free,  
the life of Jesus to recall,  
in love laid down for me...**

The Spirit of the risen Christ,  
unseen, but ever near,  
is in such friendship better known,  
alive among us here...

From the rising of the sun  
to the going down of the same,  
the name of the Lord shall be praised. (2x)

So praise ye the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

From the rising of the sun  
to the going down of the same,  
the name of the Lord shall be praised.

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name...

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Jesus, we love You, we worship and adore You.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name...

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Spirit, we love You, we worship and adore You.

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## Prayer of Confession

**God, you are the God of promises, both new and old. You made a promise to Abraham that his lineage would outnumber the stars in the sky. You made a promise through Jesus that you would love and forgive your people. Yet, we stumble in our discipleship. We break our promises daily as we look for a better path than yours. Help us to follow your path of discipleship, filled with love, justice, and hope. Amen.**

*~Silent Confession~*

## Assurance of Pardon

God, your promises are the same for Abraham as they are for us. May they remind us today, tomorrow, and forever of your love. Amen.

Passing of the Peace (air waves, no touching)

## Children's Sermon

## Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 12:1-8

New Testament Lesson

Matthew 5:27-37

Sermon Series: #Blessed

**"I AM, not my own"**

Special Music

by Lindy Kerby

**“Father, Do You Hear Me?”**

Night and every morning, each and every day,  
I kneel by my bedside to pray;

Sometimes I wonder if he's really there,  
listening to the words of my child-like prayer.

Father, do you hear me? Please listen as I pray,  
Help me understand thee and walk in thy way.

Bless me with thy spirit to live like thy son,  
and in all things may thy will be done.

Comfort from the Spirit, feelings of sweet peace;  
answers to my questions, thru promptings I receive.  
And yet, I sometimes wonder if what I know is true.  
Father, help me understand what thou'd have me do.

Father, do you hear me...

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

**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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Blessing

Choral Benediction

by Gwyneth Walker

**Benediction at God's Acre**

**From the Sarum Primer: 13<sup>th</sup> Century**

*God be in my head, and in my understanding.*

*God be in my eyes, and in my looking.*

*God be in my mouth and in my speaking.*

*God be in my heart, and in my loving.*

*May your mercy fall upon us.*

*May your healing grow within us.*

*May your beauty overwhelm us,*

*So that we may know your grace.*

*God be in my head, and in my understanding.,  
Here on this land, here on this acre of God's love,  
abiding in God's love.*



**Flowers today are given by Jane and Marlin Bradford  
to the Glory of God and in celebration  
of their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.**

Participants in today's service: Eloise and Rev. Jud Bennett (welcome), Christian LaMotte (worship leader), Stephanie Smith Cooney, Eric Deeter, Kessey Kieselhorst, Cathy Sanders (music), Lynne Pabst (children's sermon), Scott Lawvere and Mitch Welliver (sound), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Jason Clapper.

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