



*Look at the birds,
free and unfettered,
not tied down to a job description,
careless in the care of God.*

*And you count far more to him
than birds.*

Matthew 6:26 The Message

Grove Presbyterian Church

Welcome to Outdoor Worship in the Grove

Worship Service
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 23, 2020 10:15 AM

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Please be sure to wear a mask.

Welcome

Announcements

Prelude by Johannes Brahms
“Lyric Piece”

Call to Worship

One: God says, “be strong and very courageous.”

All: We will follow God and find success.

One: God says, “be strong and very courageous.”

All: We will meditate on God day and night.

One: God says, “be strong and very courageous.”

All: We will not be discouraged; we will not be afraid.

Hymn Medley

“How Firm a Foundation” with “Because He Lives”

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!

What more can be said than to you God hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

Because He lives I can face tomorrow;
Because He lives all fear is gone.
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living, just because He lives.

Prayer of Confession

Jesus tells us that we should not worry. We need not worry about what to eat or drink, we need not worry about tomorrow for each day brings its own troubles. But we can't help ourselves. We worry and we fret about things that can be changed and things that cannot. Help us to trust God, help us to let go, and remind us that the only thing we can do is be faithful.

~Silent Confession~

Assurance of Pardon

One: Jesus says his burden is easy, his yolk is light.

All: We have laid down our burdens, and we trust in his grace.

Passing of the Peace (air waves, no touching)

Children's Sermon

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson

Joshua 1:6-9

New Testament Lesson

Matthew 6:25-34

Sermon Series: #Blessed

"Don't Suffer Twice"

Special Music

"Truth Be Told"

*Lie number 1 you're supposed to have it all together,
And when they ask how you're doing,
just smile and tell them "never better".*

*Lie number 2 everybody's life is perfect except yours,
So keep your messes and your wounds and your secrets safe
With you behind closed doors.
Truth be told, the truth is rarely told.*

*Chorus: I say I'm fine yeah...hey I'm fine but I'm not, I'm broken.
And when it's out of control I say it's
under control but it's not, and you know it.
I don't know why it's so hard to admit it,
when being honest is the only way to fix it,
there's no failure, no fall.*

There's no sin you don't already know, so let the truth be told.

*There's a sign on the door saying "come as you are" but I doubt it.
If we lived like it was true,
every Sunday morning pew would be crowded
But didn't you say the church should
look more like a hospital?
A safe place for the sick and the sinner*

*and and sick and the scarred and the prodigal?
Truth be told, the truth is rarely told.
Am I the only one who says...Chorus*

*Can I really stand here unashamed
And know that you love for me won't change?
Oh God If that's really true,
Then let the truth be told...Chorus*

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Sending Hymn

"His Eye is on the Sparrow"

**Why should I feel discouraged?
Why should the shadows come?
Why should my heart be lonely
and long for heaven and home,
when Jesus is my portion?
My constant friend is he:**

his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me...

Refrain: **I sing because I'm happy,
I sing because I'm free,
for his eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me.**

**Whenever I am tempted, whenever clouds arise,
when song gives place to sighing,
when hope within me dies,
I draw the closer to him, from care he sets me free:
his eye is on the sparrow,**

and I know he watches me;
his eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me.

Refrain

Blessing

Choral Benediction

“My Peace”

Peace, peace, peace to know, peace to live,

My peace I give unto you...

It's a peace that the world cannot give,

It's a peace that the world cannot understand.

Peace to know, peace to live, my peace I give unto you...

My love I give unto you;

It's a love that the world cannot give.

It's a love that the world cannot understand.

Love to know, love to live, my love I give unto you.

Love that the world cannot understand,

My love...

My peace I give unto you,

My peace to you.

Postlude

by A. Jos. Monar

“Postlude”

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