



June 9, 2024 – Livestream
Third Sunday After Pentecost

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Emily Willson

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer

arr. D. Schelat

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Emily Willson

Leader: Insiders and outcasts,
friends and foes,
disciples and disputers
in the name of Jesus,

People: welcome to the house of peace.

Leader: Searchers and strangers,
skeptics and sinners,
dreamers and doubters
in the name of Jesus,

People: welcome to the home of grace.

*OPENING HYMN #332

Spirit of Faith, Come Down

***Spirit of faith, come down, reveal the things of God,
and make to us the Godhead known, and witness with the blood.***

***'Tis thine the blood to apply and give us eyes to see,
who did for every sinner die hath surely died for me.***

***No one can truly say that Jesus is the Lord,
unless thou take the veil away and breathe the living Word.
Then, only then, we feel our interest in his blood,
and cry with joy unspeakable, "Thou art my Lord, my God!"***

***O that the world might know the all atoning Lamb!
Spirit of faith, descend and show the virtue of his name;
the grace which all may find, the saving power, impart,
and testify to humankind, and speak in every heart.***

***Inspire the living faith (which whosoe'er receive,
the witness in themselves they have and consciously believe),
the faith that conquers all, and doth the mountain move,
and saves whoe'er on Jesus call, and perfects them in love.***

OPENING PRAYER

**With all our questions and desires, O God,
you gather us in your loving Spirit
and you show us Jesus whose love defies a world of hate.
Help us welcome him into our lives
and receive the grace that makes us whole. Amen.**

ANTHEM

I Will Lift Mine Eyes

J. Runestad

Psalm 121

I will lift mine eyes to the hills. From whence comes my help?
My help comes from the Lord the maker of heaven and earth.
He will not let your foot be moved. He who keeps you will not slumber nor sleep.
The Lord is thy keeper, the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.
The sun shall not harm you by day nor the moon by night.
The Lord will keep you from all evil, He will keep your soul.
The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this day forth for evermore.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Psalm 42

Brandon Wallace

Leader: As a deer longs for flowing streams,
so my soul longs for you, O God.

People: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

Leader: When shall I come and behold the face of God?

**People: My tears have been my food day and night,
while people say to me continually, 'Where is your God?'**

Leader: These things I remember, as I pour out my soul:
how I went with the throng,
and led them in procession to the house of God,

**People: with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving,
a multitude keeping festival.**

Leader: Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you disquieted within me?

**People: Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my help and my God.**

Leader: My soul is cast down within me;
therefore I remember you
from Jordan and Hermon and Mount Mizar.

**People: Deep calls to deep
at the thunder of your cataracts;
all your waves and your billows
have gone over me.**

Leader: By day the Lord commands his steadfast love,
and at night his song is with me,
a prayer to the God of my life.

**People: I say to God, my rock, 'Why have you forgotten me?
Why must I walk about mournfully
because the enemy oppresses me?'**

Leader: As with a deadly wound in my body,
my adversaries taunt me,

People: while they say to me continually, 'Where is your God?'

Leader: Why are you cast down, O my soul,

and why are you disquieted within me?

**People: Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my help and my God.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Song of Songs 3:1-5

¹ On my bed by night

I sought the one whom my soul loves;

I sought him, but found him not.

² I will rise now and go about the city,

in the streets and in the squares;

I will seek the one whom my soul loves.

I sought him, but found him not.

³ The watchmen found me

as they went about in the city.

“Have you seen the one whom my soul loves?”

⁴ Scarcely had I passed him

when I found the one whom my soul loves.

I held him, and would not let him go

until I had brought them into my mother's house,

and into the chamber of her who conceived me.

⁵ I adjure you, O daughters of Jerusalem,

by the gazelles or the does of the field,

that you not stir up or awaken love

until it pleases.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF PRAYER #454

Open My Eyes, That I May See

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;

place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.

Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;

and while the wavenotes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.

Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;

open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.

Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sunil Kotian

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

MUSICAL RESPONSE #349

Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus

***Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face,
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.***

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Amy Sell

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Love Has Broken Down the Wall

M. Miller
Voices in Accord

Love has broken down the wall. Let us join our hearts as one.
Love has broken down the wall.
We're accepted as we are. Through love's power all is reconciled.
We're accepted as we are.
Cast aside your doubts and fears. Peace and love, freely offered here;
cast aside your doubts and fears.
We will tear down the walls! Love has called us, one and all.
Christ has broken down the wall.

*DOXOLOGY #94

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 19:1-10

¹ He entered Jericho and was passing through it. ² A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³ He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. ⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. ⁵ When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." ⁶ So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. ⁷ All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." ⁸ Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." ⁹ Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Humanity came to seek out and to save the lost."

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Vertically Challenged

Darren Cushman Wood

*HYMN OF DEDICATION #2130

The Summons

***Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?***

*Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?*

*Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?*

*Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?*

*Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?*

*Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.*

*THE CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

arr. M. Corl

*The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and
in celebration of Vic and Katie Smith's 55th wedding anniversary on June 14th. (Married in 1969)*

Upcoming Events:

June 15 – 22, Summer Mission Trip to Oklahoma City

June 16, Pastor Sunil's last Sunday at North
Reception in the Gathering Center at 9:30am
Luncheon in Fellowship Hall at noon. For the lunch, please [RSVP](#)

July 7 – 12, Camp at Pine Creek

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This week's worship leaders:

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Sunil Kotian
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