# Midweek Worship Bulletin May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020

#### Liturgist

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#### **Call to Worship**

Jesus speaks to us saying: I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father, Except through me. I am the vine, and you are the branches. Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.

#### The Presbyterian Hymnal #391 "Take My Life" vs. 1-4

Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee. Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love. Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee, Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing Always, only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from Thee, Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold; Not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect, and use Every power as Thou shalt choose, Every power as Thou shalt choose. *Public Domain TEXT: Frances Ridley Havergal*, 1874 *MUSIC (HENDON 7.7.7.7): H. A. César Malan*, 1827

#### **Prayer of Adoration**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Forgive us, God of Mercy, for our foolishness. We trust in things that are not dependable, and then wonder why our lives feel out of balance. We focus on things that are meaningless, and then struggle with the uncertainty and fears we create for ourselves. We allow resentment, bitterness, and judgment to take root in our hearts, and then struggle with the alienation that grows from our own petty conflicts. Set us free from our shallow faith and tepid commitment so that we may know the fullness of peace and grace that You hold out for us. Humbly we offer our prayer to You, Holy God. Amen.

#### Assurance of Hope and Forgiveness

Who is in a position to condemn you? Only Christ Jesus, and he died for your sins. There is no one who judges you, so release your judgments of others, and live in the freedom of love and grace that Jesus our Lord and Savior has provided for you and all who call upon his name.

## The Presbyterian Hymnal #579 "Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. *Public Domain Glory Be to the Father TEXT: Trad. liturgical text. Composer: Henry W. Greatorex (1851)* 

## Scripture: Proverbs 3:5-12

<sup>5</sup> Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight.

<sup>6</sup> In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

- <sup>7</sup> Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.
- <sup>8</sup> It will be a healing for your flesh and a refreshment for your body.
- <sup>9</sup> Honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce;
- <sup>10</sup> then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.
- <sup>11</sup> My child, do not despise the Lord's discipline or be weary of his reproof,
- <sup>12</sup> for the Lord reproves the one he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.

## Organ Music "Holy, Holy, Holy 2<sup>nd</sup> Movement by Piet Post

## John 8:31-38

<sup>31</sup> Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, 'If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.' <sup>33</sup>They answered him, 'We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, "You will be made free"?'

<sup>34</sup> Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there for ever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed. <sup>37</sup>I know that you are

descendants of Abraham; yet you look for an opportunity to kill me, because there is no place in you for my word. <sup>38</sup>I declare what I have seen in the Father's presence; as for you, you should do what you have heard from the Father.'

Message: "Freedom"

# Prayer

#### The Lord's Prayer:

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. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned 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.

## Sending The Presbyterian Hymnal #540 "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, Strike death's threatening wave before you: God be with you till we meet again. *Public Domain TEXT: Jeremiah Eames Rankin, 1880, alt. MUSIC (RANDOLPH 9.8.8.9): Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906* 

## Benediction