

Midweek Worship Bulletin

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Call to Worship

Elijah Braatz

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

With joy and confidence, let us enter into the healing and hope which is offered to us by God through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

Grey Song Book #242 "We Have Come into His House"

We have come into His house
And gathered in His name
To worship Him
We have come into His house
And gathered in His name
To worship Him
We have come into His house
And gathered in His name
To worship Christ the Lord
Worship Him Christ the Lord

So forget about yourself
And concentrate on Him
And worship Him
So forget about yourself
And concentrate on Him
And worship Him
So forget about yourself
And concentrate on Him
And worship Christ the Lord
Worship Him Christ the Lord

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Prayer of Adoration

Will Braatz

Prayer of Confession

Claire Braatz

Loving and Gracious God, for so long we have fooled ourselves into thinking we were in control and secure in our own capabilities. We looked down upon those who struggled, blaming the victims for their problems. We felt we could not be moved, that we were masters of our own lives. Now we see that there is no security in anything but Your steadfast love. We recognize that self-deception and false pride have only served to make us vulnerable to changes that come so suddenly. As we surrender our hearts and our egos to You, free us from our illusions so we may see with clarity the peace and hope that surrounds us through Your grace. Humbly we offer ourselves to You. Amen.

Assurance of Hope and Forgiveness

Claire Braatz

Your confidence and hope is secure in the compassion of Christ Jesus our Lord and Savior. Do not fret or fear, you are loved and will never be forsaken. Trust in God's love and reach out to share peace with everyone you meet. Give thanks to God, you are forgiven.

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.

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Glory Be to the Father

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text. Composer: Henry W. Greatorex (1851)

Scripture: Deuteronomy 31:1-13

Kim Braatz

^{31:1} When Moses had finished speaking all these words to all Israel, ²he said to them: 'I am now a hundred and twenty years old. I am no longer able to get about, and the Lord has told me, "You shall not cross over this Jordan." ³The Lord your God himself will cross over before you. He will destroy these nations before you, and you shall dispossess them. Joshua also will cross over before you, as the Lord promised. ⁴The Lord will do to them as he did to Sihon and Og, the kings of the Amorites, and to their land, when he destroyed them. ⁵The Lord will give them over to you and you shall deal with them in full accord with the command that I have given to you. ⁶Be strong and bold; have no fear or dread of them, because it is the Lord your God who goes with you; he will not fail you or forsake you.'

⁷ Then Moses summoned Joshua and said to him in the sight of all Israel: 'Be strong and bold, for you are the one who will go with this people into the land that the Lord has sworn to their ancestors to give them; and you will put them in possession of it. ⁸It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.'

⁹ Then Moses wrote down this law, and gave it to the priests, the sons of Levi, who carried the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and to all the elders of Israel. ¹⁰Moses commanded them: 'Every seventh year, in the scheduled year of remission, during the festival of booths, ¹¹when all Israel comes to appear before the Lord your God at the place that he will choose, you shall read this law before all Israel in their hearing. ¹²Assemble the people—

men, women, and children, as well as the aliens residing in your towns—so that they may hear and learn to fear the Lord your God and to observe diligently all the words of this law, ¹³and so that their children, who have not known it, may hear and learn to fear the Lord your God, as long as you live in the land that you are crossing over the Jordan to possess.'

John 16:16-24

¹⁶ 'A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me.' ¹⁷Then some of his disciples said to one another, 'What does he mean by saying to us, "A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me"; and "Because I am going to the Father"?' ¹⁸They said, 'What does he mean by this "a little while"? We do not know what he is talking about.' ¹⁹Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, 'Are you discussing among yourselves what I meant when I said, "A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me"? ²⁰Very truly, I tell you, you will weep and mourn, but the world will rejoice; you will have pain, but your pain will turn into joy. ²¹When a woman is in labor, she has pain, because her hour has come. But when her child is born, she no longer remembers the anguish because of the joy of having brought a human being into the world. ²²So you have pain now; but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. ²³On that day you will ask nothing of me. Very truly, I tell you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete.

Message: "Be Strong and Bold Because the Lord Goes with You"
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 Hymn: Glory to God Hymnal #300 "We Are One in the Spirit"

We are one in the Spirit;
we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit;
we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity
may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other;
we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other;
we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news
that God is in our land:
And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other;
we will work side by side;
we will work with each other;
we will work side by side,
and we'll guard human dignity
and save human pride:
And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

All praise to the Father,
from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus,
God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit,
who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

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Benediction