



# Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day

4th Sunday after Pentecost  
July 7, 2019  
10:00 a. m.

† Those who are able, please stand

## Westminster Peal

### Gathering Music

*"Thy Word"*

Amy Grant  
Dr. Ken Sass, Guest Organist

## GATHERING

### Welcome and Church Family Life

Rev. Susan Haynes

### † Gathering as the Children of God

One: Praise be to God who has freed us from oppression!

All: *Praise be to God who has healed our wounded souls!*

One: Let our hearts rejoice at God's redeeming love.

All: *Let our voices raise in songs of thanksgiving for all that God is doing for us.*

One: Come, let us worship the Lord with our whole hearts!

All: *May our praise and voices resound with joy! AMEN.*

### † Hymn No. 488

*"The God of Abraham Praise"*

LEONI

### † Prayer of Confession (unison)

Pat Bartee

*Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know the old heartaches that still  
pain me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up. You know the restless worries that  
rob me of rest, the fears that drive me. You discern my thoughts from afar.*

*You know what I attempt to conceal from everyone else.*

*You know why I do what I do, when I don't even know myself.*

*You are acquainted with all my ways.*

*You see the good things I do in secret, as well as the sinful things.*

*Forgive me and help me, gracious God. Help me lay aside my faithless fears.*

*Forgive my inability to trust you in all things.*

*Help me overcome the hurts of the past, and help me give up using them as  
excuses for my present situation. I am the work of your hand;*

*fulfill your purpose for me. Do not forsake me when I turn to you,  
for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, Amen.*

† **Assurance of Pardon**

Pat Bartee

One: Friends, hear and trust the Good News.

All: *In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!*

† **Response** (#379, v1)

*"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less!"*

SOLID ROCK

*My hope is built on nothing less Thank Jesus' blood and righteousness;*

*I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.*

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand,*

*All other ground is sinking sand.*

† **Passing of the Peace**

Pat Bartee

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

**THE WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**New Testament Lesson**

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

**Special Music**

*"Jerusalem, Thou That Killest the Prophets" from Saint Paul*

Dr. Roger Scanlan, Tenor

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

**Sermon**

*"Why People Believe Jesus"*

Rev. Haynes

† **Hymn No. 504**

*"Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"*

UNION SEMINARY

**Commissioning of the Stephen Ministers**

*Pat Bartee, Joy Carden, Patricia Hibbard, Carolina Kirby-Smith*

*Mary McClurg, Bruce Morine*

**Celebration of The Lord's Supper**

**Invitation to the Lord's Table**

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**Words of Institution**

**Distribution of the Bread and Cup**

**Prayer after Communion**

**THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING**

**Offering**

Offertory

*"Jig" from A Lesson for the Organ*

William Selby (1738-1798)

† **Doxology** (#592)

*"Old Hundredth"*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

† **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**SENDING**

† **Closing Hymn No. 343**

*"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"*

BEECHER

† **Benediction**

† **Congregational Response** (#539 v2)

*"We Will Go Out with Joy"*

*We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God.  
We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God.*

† **Postlude**

*"Voluntary in D Major"*

William Selby (1738-1798)

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*English-born William Selby was organist of King's Chapel in Boston from 1771 until his death. He was a friend of George Frideric Handel and introduced much of Handel's music to American audiences. In 1786 he organized and conducted the first music festival ever held in the United States.*



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- As **children of God**, we seek to praise God in worship and in all that we say and do
- As **disciples of Jesus Christ**, we listen to scripture, tradition, one another, and the world in order to understand God's will for us as individuals and as a community
- As **members of a family of faith**, we strive to love one another unconditionally, sharing our joys and standing beside one another in our struggles
- **Moved by the Spirit**, we serve our gracious God by taking that with which we have been blessed and turning it into blessings for others.



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