



**MOUNT VERNON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**JUNE 13, 2021 ✠ 10:00 AM**

† *For those who are able, please stand.*

**✠ GATHERING ✠**

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**INTROIT**

**"Matthew 12:8"**  
Matthias Young

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**PRELUDE**

**"Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen" Op. 122, No. 8**  
Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Ryan Sawyer

**WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS &  
PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

Rev. Barrett Abernethy

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Isaac Toney-Schmitt

ONE: The Bread of Life has come among us.

ALL: **What is this Bread of Life?**

ONE: It is none other than Jesus Christ, God's beloved Son!

ALL: **We hunger for the true bread that will nourish our souls.**

ONE: Come, then, to Christ who feeds us with his very life!

ALL: **We come, needing sustenance and nurturing. Amen.**

† **HYMN #470 (v. 1, 2, & 4)**

**"O Day of Radiant Gladness"**  
**ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN**

O day of radiant gladness, O day of joy and light,  
O balm of care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright;  
this day the high and lowly, through ages joined in tune,  
sing "Holy, holy, holy" to the great God Triune.

This day at the creation the light first had its birth;  
this day for our salvation Christ rose from depths of earth;  
this day our Lord, victorious the Spirit sent from heaven,  
and thus this day most glorious a triple light was given.

That light our hope sustaining, We walk the pilgrim way,  
At length our rest attaining, Our endless Sabbath day.  
We sing to You our praises, O Father, Spirit, Son;  
The church its voice upraises To You, blest Three in One.

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Toney-Schmitt

Gracious God, too often we come to church wearing our finest and putting on our best faces. Yet when we remove the mask and reveal our brokenness and our vanity we find that Christ greets us with the Bread of Heaven. We come to celebrate that abundance this day. Too often we see a world of scarcity, where a few hoard at the expense of many. Let us not accept this reality. In this sanctuary, let us know that all are called to be welcome as holy. Let us live into this experience and let us share the gift of sanctuary long after the Sabbath day is over and we are far beyond these walls. Let us share the ways you come into our lives. The Word we hear. The Light we see. The Presence we feel. The Grain we taste. The Smell that consumes. To God be the Glory. Amen.

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ONE: ...In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.

† HYMN #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, Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Toney-Schmitt

*(All children 5th grade and younger are invited to come forward for storytelling and prayer.)*

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Abernethy

*(Please greet each other with the peace of Christ, in a manner comfortable for one another.)*

✠ THE WORD ✠

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Abernethy

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 12:1-8

HOMILY

*What Happens in the Temple*

✠ RESPONSE ✠

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† HYMN (*see insert*)

“Lord of the Sabbath”

GERMANY

Lord of the Sabbath, hear us pray, in this your house, on this your day;  
and own, as grateful sacrifice, the songs which from your temple rise.

Now met to pray and bless your name, whose mercies flow each day the same,  
whose kind compassions never cease, we seek instruction, pardon, peace.

In your blest kingdom we shall be from ev'ry mortal trouble free:  
no sighs shall mingle with the songs resounding from immortal tongues.

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*The Nicene Creed*)

Rev. Abernethy

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

† THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rev. Abernethy & Rev. Toney Schmitt

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ONE: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

ONE: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

ONE: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYER OVER THE ELEMENTS & *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; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not  
into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

OFFERTORY

"Etude No. 6"

Matthias Young

Leo Brouwer (b. 1939)

† DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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 ✠

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† SONG FOR DISMISSAL

“Step By Step”  
David Strasser

O God You are my God  
And I will ever praise You  
O God You are my God  
And I will ever praise You  
I will seek You in the morning  
And I will learn to walk in Your ways  
And step by step You'll lead me  
And I will follow You all of my days

† BENEDICTION

Rev. Abernethy

POSTLUDE

“La Campanella”  
Franz Liszt (1811-1886)

Ryan Sawyer



*We thank you for worshipping with us today.  
If you are so moved and would like to give a tithe or offering,  
there are collection plates in the Narthex as you exit.*

*Leading Today's Worship Service*  
Rev. Barrett Abernethy, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Isaac Toney-Schmitt, Associate Pastor  
Matthias Young, Director of Music  
Ryan Sawyer, Organist Apprentice



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