



Community Presbyterian Church

Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time
11 August 2024

This is My Story, This is Our Song Take My Life and Let It Be

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

I Surrender All

*Call to Worship

(One) Sing a new song to the Lord, who has worked wonders, whose right hand and holy arm have brought salvation.

(All) The Lord has made salvation known to all. He has shown justice to the nations. He has remembered truth and love for the house of Israel.

(One) All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord, all the earth, sing out your joy.

(All) Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp, with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn, let us praise the King, our Lord.

(One) Let our worship be joyful music to our God.

Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 34:1-8

(One) I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

(All) My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

(One) magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

(All) I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

(One) Look to him, and be radiant, so your faces shall never be ashamed.

(All) This poor soul cried and was heard by the LORD and was saved from every trouble.

(One) The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him and delivers them.

(All) O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

*Hymn (466)

Take My Life and Let it Be

(1) Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love,
at the impulse of thy love.

(2) Take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee;
take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King,
always, only, for my King.

(3) Take my lips and let them be
filled with messages for thee;
take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold,
not a mite would I withhold.

(4) Take my love, my God, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself and I will be
ever, only, all for thee,
ever, only, all for thee.

Prayer of Confession

Jesus Remember Me

Jesus, remember me, when you come into Your Kingdom.
Jesus, remember me, when you come into Your Kingdom.

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

Response

Bog Jest Miloscia

God is forgiveness.
Dare to forgive and God will be with you.
God is forgiveness, love and do not fear.

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading
New Testament Reading

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33
Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Gospel Reading

John 6:35, 41-51

Sermon

RESPONSE

***Hymn (466)**

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***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. **I believe** in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. **I believe** in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Stewardship Moment: Treasures

Offertory

I'll Fly Away

***Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People

(One) In Your mercy ...

(All) ... Hear our prayers.

The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge

Benediction

Postlude *O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing*

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SCRIPTURES

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

David laments Absalom's death

18:5

The king ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom." And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom.

18:6

So the army went out into the field against Israel, and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim.

18:7

The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men.

18:8

The battle spread over the face of all the country, and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword.

18:9

Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak,

and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on.

18:15

And ten young men, Joab's armor-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him and killed him.

18:31

Then the Cushite came and the Cushite said, "Good tidings for my lord the king! For the LORD has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you."

18:32

The king said to the Cushite, "Is it well with the young man Absalom?" The Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king and all who rise up to do you harm be like that young man."

18:33

The king was deeply moved and went up to the chamber over the gate and wept, and as he went he said, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Put away evil, live in love

4:25

So then, putting away falsehood, let each of you speak the truth with your neighbor, for we are members of one another.

4:26

Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger,

4:27

and do not make room for the devil.

4:28

Those who steal must give up stealing; rather, let them labor, doing good work with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy.

4:29

Let no evil talk come out of your mouths but only what is good for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear.

4:30

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption.

4:31

Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice.

4:32

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

5:1

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children,

5:2

and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

John 6:35, 41-51

Christ, the bread of life

6:35

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

6:41

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven."

6:42

They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?"

6:43

Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves.

6:44

No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise that person up on the last day.

6:45

It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me.

6:46

Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father.

6:47

Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life.

6:48

I am the bread of life.

6:49

Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died.

6:50

This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die.

6:51

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."