

World Communion Sunday October 4, 2020

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PRELUDE Chorale

William Lloyd Webber

from Chorale, Cantilena, and Finale Michael Barker, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Katherine Robinson

CALL TO WORSHIP

David Carter Florence

We come before you today, O God, descended from prophets and dreamers; so create in us a holy imagination.

We come filled with life and gifts that are yours, not ours to be hoarded; so give us the ability to love without agenda.

We come surrounded by sisters and brothers who are not free, groaning under the weight of violence and oppression;

so give us voices, loud and quick, to speak out for those who suffer.

We come as a people of your choosing, called forth by your Holy Spirit;

so help us see that we are connected to a larger story, blessed to be a blessing for all people.

Trusting in your power to make all these hopes reality,

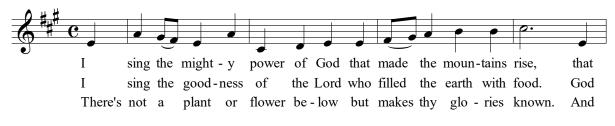
we come with hearts full of love to worship you today.

HYMN

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

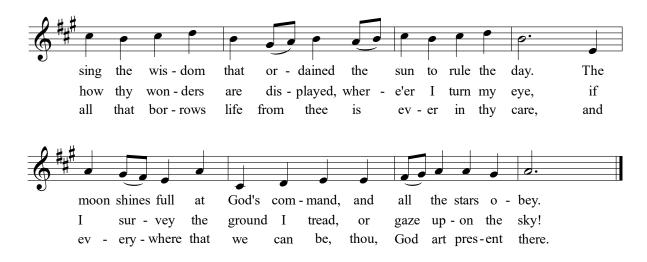
ELLACOMBE

Libby Barker, song leader





spread the flow-ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y skies. I formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them good. Lord, clouds a - rise, and tem - pests blow, by or - der from thy throne, while



CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,

in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world.

Although Christ is among us as our peace,

we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world.

The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas.

The fears and jealousies that we harbor

set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.

We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom,

of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression.

Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us.

Set us free to serve you in the world

as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

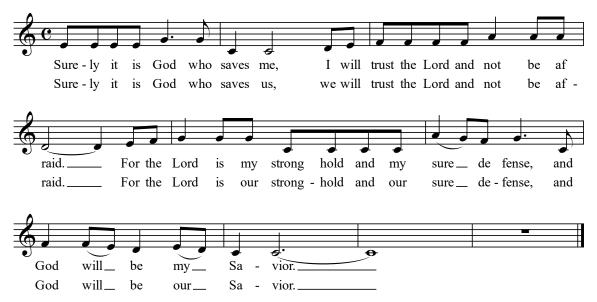
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe this good news. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Surely It Is God Who Saves Me

FIRST SONG



FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 45: 1-15

SERMON Promise and Purpose: Joseph's Story and Our Story



CALL TO OFFERING

Offertory

Joseph's Dreams
Anna Banzhoff, soloist

Tim Rice Andrew Lloyd Webber

The offerings we give acknowledge that everything we have is a gift from God. Thank you for participating in the ministry and mission work of BMPC. You can find instructions for all ways of giving online here

If you would like to respond to the devastation and loss from fires on the west coast and flooding on the gulf coast, please go to the giving page on <u>our website</u> and designate PDA for your gift. Checks can be dropped off at the church on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 9-1:30, or sent through the mail.

The Lord's Supper

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

May the composer of hope be with you!

And also with you!

Beloved, God has created us to live faithfully in these times.

We lift our hearts to the One who shapes us into communities of grace and peace.

Join in singing to God, who takes away all our fears.

We will come with joy to the Table of peace and hope!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

GLOBAL MISSION MESSAGE

John McCall video



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Visitors: let us know of your interest or questions about BMPC.

Members: share prayer requests, pastoral concerns, or updated contact information.

We look forward to hearing from you.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Karen Austin following the death of her Aunt Shirley McGavock who passed away on September 16 after struggling with cancer. Prayers requested for **Karen's family, especially Uncle Hugh**, who continues to recover from his motorcycle accident earlier this summer.

Bill Hollins, recovering from a fall at Mission Hospital

Family and friends of Wade Talbot who died on September 23 a private service will be held in the columbarium on October 9 at 4:00 p.m.

Our PC(USA) Mission Co-workers: John McCall in Taiwan; Dan & Elizabeth Turk in Madagascar; Gary & Marlene Van Brocklin in South Asia. Outreach Foundation: Frank Dimmock

Seminary Student: Emily Beaver, Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia

Our partner **Presbytery** and partner church, **Ebenezer**, in Guatemala The situation in Guatemala is very difficult with COVID-19. It seems that our Ebenezer church members are healthy, but many are not able to work and it is not easy to get food.

Please remember in prayer these people with ongoing concerns.

Martha Jean Alvis, Glenn & Evelyn Bannerman, Daisy Buckner, Chad Carlton, Jane Collins, Jim Davies, Doris Hogle, Becky Hughes, Barbara Jenkins, Mary McElrath, Nancy Murray, Margaret Rada, Betty Rand, Penny Sampson, Renee & Charles Sandy, Callie Shaffer, Margie Tyas, Ann Weeks, Paul Willison



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

World-Wide God, expand our view of your world and your people.

We grieve the pandemic deaths of over a million people. We especially lift up our sister partnership church in Guatemala with limited resources, struggling to survive.

We thank you for the wisdom of Joseph during a famine in Egypt.

May we individually and together make wise decisions with our resources.

May we receive the Christ as the bread of life and the cup of our salvation. Amen.

Prayer composed by Jim Layman

Our Church's Vision Embodying the Love of Christ

Inspiring through Worship and Faith Formation • Nurturing through Fellowship Equipping to Serve • Welcoming to All

Session

Mike Ballard, clerk

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