

# The Order of Service: The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2020

**Prelude** *Blessed are the pure in heart*

Roberta Rowland-Raybold  
Dr. Gukhui Han, Organ

## Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* **Glory to God forever and ever.**

## Collect for Purity *(people muted)*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

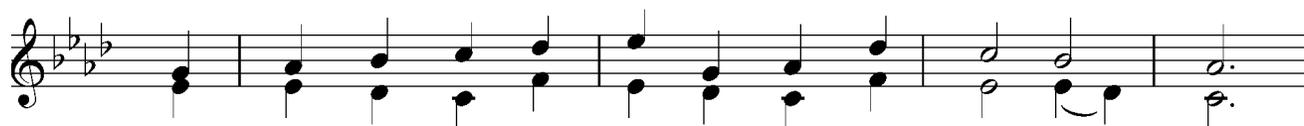
## Hymn *The God of Abraham praise*

*Leoni*

*(Mute your device and sing loudly and joyfully)*



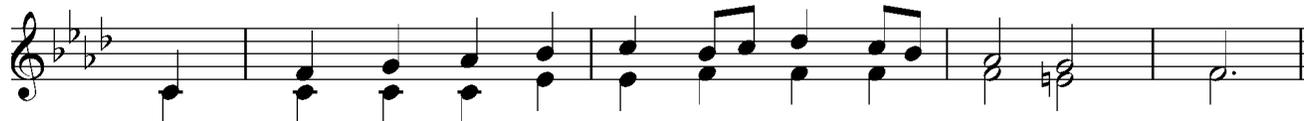
1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;  
2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;  
3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,



1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;  
2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend:  
3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;



1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:  
2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,  
3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,



we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.  
and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.  
and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.

**Collect of the Day** *(people muted)*

*Celebrant* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**A Reading** *Genesis 22:1-14 (people muted)*

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." The angel said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

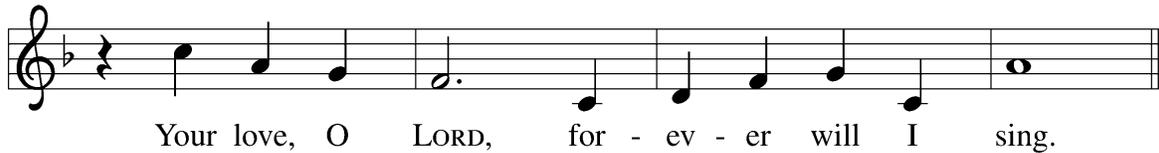
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 89: 1-4,15-18**

*The soloist will sing first, then the congregation will repeat.*

Thomas Pavlechko  
Harlee Balajadia, Cantor

**REFRAIN:**



Your love, O Lord, forever will I sing;  
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.  
For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is established forever;  
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.  
“I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn an oath to David my servant:  
‘I will establish your line forever, and preserve your throne for all generations.’”

**REFRAIN**

Happy are the people who know the festal shout!  
They walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.  
They rejoice daily in your name; they are jubilant in your righteousness.  
For you are the glory of their strength, and by your favor our might is exalted.  
Truly, our shield belongs to the Lord; our king to the Holy One of Israel.

**REFRAIN**

**A Reading** *Romans 6:12-23 (people muted)*

A reading from Paul’s Letter to the Romans.

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people. **Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem** *My soul doth magnify the Lord (Magnificat)*

John Rutter

My soul doth magnify the Lord,  
And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour:

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.  
For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty hath magnified me:  
And holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him:  
Throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm:  
He hath scattered the proud, scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat,  
And hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath fill'd the hungry with good things:  
And the rich he hath sent empty away.

He rememb'ring his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,  
As he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, forever, forever.

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.

**The Gospel** *Matthew 10:40-42 (people muted)*

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Anthem** *Lead me, Lord*

Gary Valenciano  
Harlee Balajadia, Soloist

Lead me Lord  
Lead me by the hand  
And help me face the rising sun  
Comfort me through all the pain  
That life may bring  
There's no other hope  
That I can lean upon  
Lead me Lord, lead me all my life  
  
Walk by me  
Walk by me across the lonely roads that I may face  
Take my arms and let your hand  
Show me the way  
Show the way to live inside your heart  
All my days, all my life  
  
You are my light  
You're the lamp upon my feet  
All the time, my Lord  
I need you there  
You are my light  
I cannot live alone  
Let me stay by Your guiding love  
All through my life, lead me Lord  
  
Let me stay by Your guiding love  
All through my life, all through my days  
So, lead me, oh Lord, Lead me

Lead me Lord  
Even though at times I'd rather go along my way  
Help me take the right direction  
Take your road  
Lead me Lord  
And never leave my side  
All my days, all my life  
  
You are my light  
You're the lamp upon my feet  
All the time, my Lord  
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**The Sermon** *(people muted)*  
*Silence follows the sermon.*

The Rev. Nancy Frausto

**Anthem** *Clarinet Concerto in A, 2<sup>nd</sup> mvt.*

W.A.Mozart  
Samuel Choi, Clarinet

## **Affirmation of Faith: Nicene Creed**

*(people muted)*

**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 Prayers of the People**

*The Leader and People pray responsively.*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

God of love, we pray for your church: For Michael Curry, our Presiding Bishop; John Taylor and Diane Jardine Bruce, our bishops; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world.

*Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts*

God of love, **Hear our prayers for the church.**

God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love.

*Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts*

God of freedom, **Hear our prayers for the world.**

God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.

*Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts*

God of justice, **Hear our prayers for the earth.**

God of peace, we pray for this community: For our local leaders; for our schools and markets; for our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle in every heart a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all. Give us courage to strive for justice and peace among all people, beginning here at home.

*Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts*

God of peace, **Hear our prayers for this community.**

God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice. Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons.

*Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts*

God of mercy, **Hear our prayers for all who are in need.**

God of grace, we pray for those who have died: For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light.

*Silence — Add your prayers, silently or in your hearts*

God of grace, **Hear our prayers for those who have died.**

## **Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and one another.

*People* **Almighty God, Source of all that is, Giver of every good gift: You create all people in your image and call us to love one another as you love us. We confess that we have failed to honor you in the great diversity of the human family. We have desired to live in freedom, while building walls between ourselves and others. We have longed to be known and accepted for who we are, while making judgements of others based on the color of skin, or the shape of features, or the varieties of human experience. We have tried to love our neighbors individually while yet benefitting from systems that hold those same neighbors in oppression. Forgive us, Holy God. Give us eyes to see you as you are revealed in all people. Strengthen us for the work of reconciliation rooted in love. Restore us in your image, to be beloved community, united in our diversity, even as you are one with Christ and the Spirit, Holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**Lord's Prayer** (*people unmuted*)

**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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries**

**The Blessing**

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor everyone; love and serve the Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**The Peace**

*Celebrant*     The peace of Christ be always with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**

**Postlude** *Soon and Very Soon*

arr. Lloyd Larson  
Dr. Gukhui Han, Piano