Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, July 12, 2020

Prelude - *Prelude and Fugue in G* – J.S. Bach – Linda Sweetman Waters, Organ

Greeting, Announcements & Expressions of Faith through Stained Glass

Call to Worship

God's creation delights and astonishes. Let the people pause and wonder! God, the Creator, has made it all. Let all creation shout and sing! Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day

O Lord our God, you opened your mouth and uttered a word and creation sprang forth in abundance. Let us open our mouths in praise that we may bear fruit in every season and be satisfied by your goodness, for you, O God, are the source of all life and growth; your grace abounds forever. **Amen.**

Hymn – Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 55: 10-13

Musical Offering- I Thank You, Lord, Joseph M. Martin

Lord, when I think upon the music of my life, your songs of joy, your love songs in the night, I'm filled with wonder and with praise at the beauty of your grace. I thank you, Lord. And when I gather in this house, your sacred place, and when I sing the hymns and anthems of my faith, I'm filled with hope and gratitude as I lift my heart to you. I thank you, Lord. O, how can I keep from singing? How can I keep from lifting up my voice? Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing? How can I help but praise the Lord? How can I keep from praising Christ, my Savior, when he has done so much for me? I will exalt his name and not be silent, God's love has set my music free! Now when I think upon the blessings of this life, the forest deep, the glory of the skies, the promise of the rising sun and the moon when day is done, I thank you, Lord. And when I look into the eyes of those I love, or when I gaze upon the starry night above, my heart is filled with joyful praise, and I bless your holy name. I thank you, Lord. O, how can I keep from singing? How can I keep from lifting up my voice? Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing? How can I help but praise the Lord? I will praise the Lord Carol Schmiedecke, Alto; Edward Schmiedecke, Baritone; & Linda Sweetman Waters, Piano

Sermon: God's Purpose

Offering Invitation, Offertory, Doxology - All Good Gifts, Joseph M. Martin

The treasures of life are gifts sent from heaven, blessings more precious than silver or gold. Family and friends, the laughter of children; these are the diamonds that fill us with hope. All good gifts around us, come from heaven above. So, thank you, Lord, for all of the treasures of life, for all of your gifts of life. For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love wich from our birth over and around us lies. Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise. Lord, we give you our praise! The treasures of life are meant for the sharing. Blessed to be blessings, our cup overflows. And now is the time to celebrate harvest by giving to others and helping them grow. All good gifts around us, come from heaven above. So thank you, Lord, for all of the treasures of life, for all of your gifts of life. Carol Schmiedecke, Alto; Edward Schmiedecke, Baritone; & Linda Sweetman Waters, Piano

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Prayers of the People, a Responsive Prayer, and Lord's Prayer

Hymn – Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

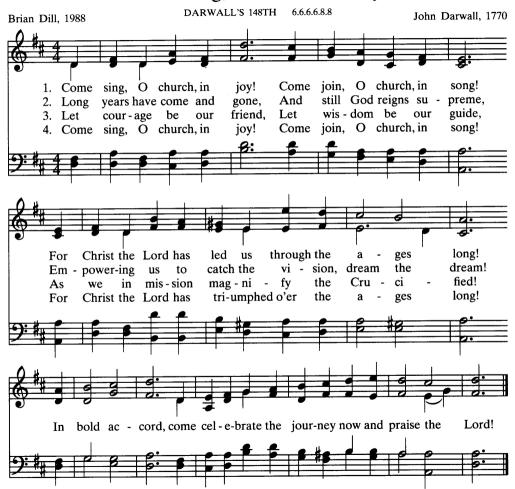
Benediction & Postlude

God of Grace - Paul Manz - Linda Sweetman Waters, Organ

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8 Stralsund Ernewerten Gesangbuch, 1665 Joachim Neander, 1680 Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt. Harm. The Chorale Book for England, 1863 Desc. Craig Sellar Lang, 1953 Descant all 3. Praise ye the Lord! O let that is in me Praise ye the Lord, the Al might y, the King of cre Praise the Lord, who o'er ye all things ·so won - drous - ly Praise ye the Lord! \mathbf{o} let all that in me dore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with tion! soul, praise Him, for thy my eth, un - der His reign Shel-ters thee wings, yea, dore Him! that hath life and breath, come now prais - es be - fore Him! Let the a - men Sound from His health and sal tion! All ye who hear, Now to His eth! gen - tly sus - tain Hast thou not seen How thy de be - fore Him! Let the a - men Sound from His prais - es Him. Glad - ly for dore peo-ple gain; aye we glad ad - o tem - ple draw Join me in tion! near; sires e'er have Grant-ed in what He or eth? been dain peo - ple gain; Glad - ly for aye we Him.

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!



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