

REID MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

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SOUNDING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

Please sign and pass the friendship pad to your neighbor.

PRELUDE

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded, Opus 122, No. 10

Johannes Brahms
(1833—1897)

INTROIT

Surely the Lord is in This Place

*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

The Sabbath is a day for the sake of life.

Last in creation, first in intention, the Sabbath is the end of the creation of heaven and earth.

On the seventh day God rested, God blessed, and God hallowed.

The Sabbath is a day wholly set apart.

The Sabbath is holiness of time in God's presence.

Let us worship with joy in the embrace of the Sabbath!

*HYMN 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

Dr. Casto-Waters

God and Creator of Sabbath, we come into the space and time you have named holy without preparing ourselves for rest. We aren't even sure how to define "rest" anymore. We struggle with perceptions of idleness or being unproductive. We resist your invitation to release our anxiety and trust you to do your work in us on the Sabbath. We are leery of the thought of doing nothing on our own, of resting in your presence, of letting our souls expand and breathe your grace. Help us welcome your Sabbath, Lord. Help us welcome you. Amen.

*SILENT PRAYER

*DECLARATION OF PARDON³

Isaiah reminds us that God's call to Sabbath is covenantal. It is a covenant of joy, of renewal, of peace in the Lord, and fellowship in God's house of prayer. In God's Sabbath, time is made holy and we are sanctified in it through Christ our Lord.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

*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.***

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND LABORS

Rev. Boyd Lien

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Offertory

John Ness Beck
(1930—1987)

*With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on High?
Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, Shall I come before Him with yearling calves?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil?
Shall I give him my first-born for my transgressions, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?
He has shown you, O man; He has shown you what is good.
What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God.*

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Doxology

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 DEDICATION

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Ms. Joy Maple

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 20:1-17

SERMON

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER⁴**Invitation to the Table**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Such is the holy love you have for your children...

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.***Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.******Hosanna in the highest.***

...great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

...Let us not forget, for Jesus' sake.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord, make us mindful that it is not for us alone that this sacrifice was made. Help us hold these words near: God's love for the world is so strong that he gave his only son. Whoever believes may enter his life. May this meal remind us of the world You love beyond ourselves, beyond these walls. Teach us, Lord, to be a people of open arms, generous spirits, and faithful community. Send us from this table nourished and renewed, compassionate and just, ready to speak from our hearts where you have engraved your name. May we go forth with joy, for sorrow will one day cease, and it is joy that will abound. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH⁵

Rev. Lien

Into the silence of the void the Creator spoke, and the world came into being. The Word of God in the vastness brought light from darkness, matter from nothing, flesh from dust, life from lifelessness. In the quiet of a small town in Palestine the Word of God came to us. Even though of one being with the Creator, Jesus our Christ, taking on human form, was born, lived and walked among us, speaking the words of life. He was crucified, died, and was buried. He rose from the dead and speaks to us today. He is the one who saves us from ourselves. In the stillness of our souls the Spirit of God, who is one with the Creator and the Christ, whispers the Word, and calls us back to the Creator, back to the Christ, back to the wholeness of everlasting life in the unity of the Creator, Christ, and Spirit.

*HYMN 536

Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen

SURGE ECCLESIA

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

The Lord Bless You

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune in C Major

Michaele McCabe
(b. 1941)

*All who are able please stand

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Participating in Worship



Preacher

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

Worship Leaders

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

Rev. Boyd Lien

Ms. Joy Maple

Musicians

Mr. S.C. Toe

Dr. Wayne Lord

Chancel Choir

Acolyte

Addie Slater

Friendship Pad Pick-up

Linda McCall

Ushers

Will Salley

Tripp Wilson

Paul Rosenzweig

Trey Few

Phil Lee

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STAFF

Reverend Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters, **Pastor, ext. 303**

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Hearing assistance. Hearing aid wearers with a "T" (telecoil) setting can now hear the service broadcast directly through their hearing aids. Others desiring hearing assistance may check out a portable receiver / headset.