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Sixteenth Sunday after **PENTECOST**



"Rayonism"

Mikhail Larionov, 1912-13

September 20, 2020

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...

an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Nearer My God to Thee, Joel Raney

Welcome

Hymn

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

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WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Psalm 145:1-8



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I will exalt you, my | God and king,
and bless your name forev- | er and ever.

**Every day | will I bless you
and praise your name forev- | er and ever.**

Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised!
There is no end | to your greatness.

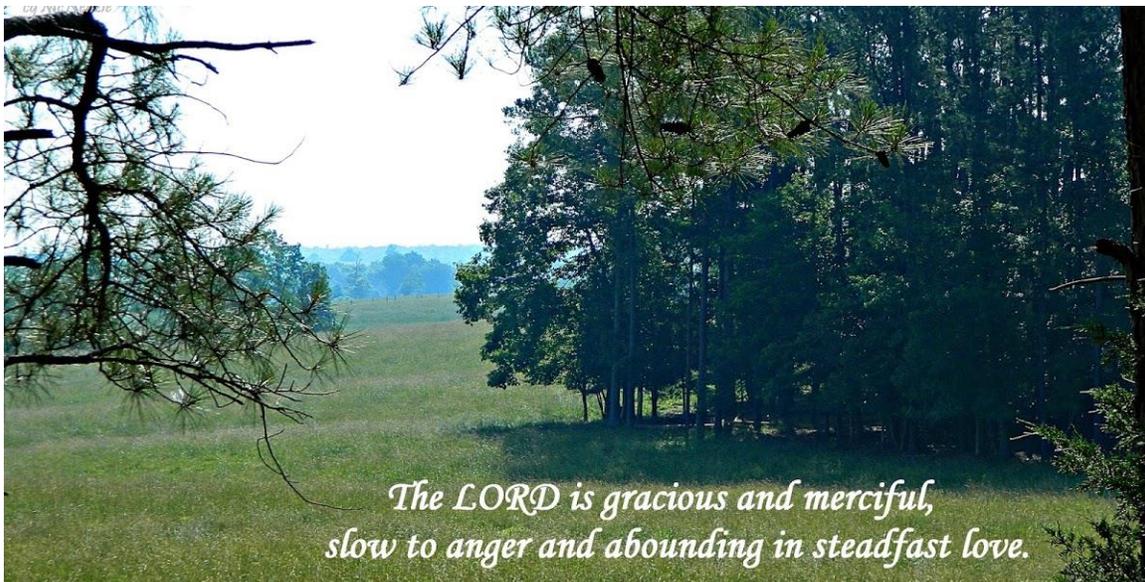
**One generation shall praise your works | to another
and shall de- | clare your power.**

I will speak of the glorious splendor | of your majesty
and all your | marvelous works.

**They shall tell of the might of your | wondrous acts,
and I will re- | count your greatness.**

They shall publish the remembrance of | your great goodness;
they shall sing joyfully | of your righteousness.

**The LORD is gracious and full | of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.**



Gospel

Matthew 20.1-16 (Inclusive New Testament)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples, “The kingdom of heaven is like the owner of an estate who went out at dawn to hire workers for the vineyard. After reaching an agreement with them for the usual daily wage, the owner sent them out to the vineyard.

“About mid-morning, the owner came out and saw others standing around the marketplace without work, and said to them, ‘You go along to my vineyard and I will pay you whatever is fair.’ At that they left.

“Around noon and again in the mid-afternoon, the owner came out and did the same. Finally, going out late in the afternoon, the owner found still others standing around and said to them, ‘Why have you been standing here idle all day?’

“‘No one has hired us,’ they replied.

“The owner said, ‘You go to my vineyard, too.’

“When evening came, the owner said to the overseer, ‘Call the workers and give them their pay, but begin with the last group and end with the first.’ When those hired late in the afternoon came up, they received a full day’s pay, and when the first group appeared they assumed they would get more. Yet they all received the same daily wage.

“Thereupon they complained to the owner, ‘This last group did only an hour’s work, but you’ve put them on the same basis as those who worked a full day in the scorching heat.’

“‘My friends,’ said the owner to those who voiced this complaint. ‘I do you no injustice. You agreed on the usual wage, didn’t you? Take your pay and go home. I intend to give this worker who was hired last the same pay as you. I’m free to do as I please with my money, aren’t I? Or are you envious because I am generous?’

“Thus the last will be first and the first will be last.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.



Reading**Jonah 3.1-4.4, 11** (The Message, alt.)

A reading from the book of Jonah

God spoke to Jonah a second time: “Up on your feet and on your way to the big city of Nineveh! Preach to them. They’re in a bad way and I can’t ignore it any longer.”

This time Jonah started off straight for Nineveh, obeying God’s orders to the letter.

Nineveh was a big city, very big—it took three days to walk across it. Jonah entered the city, went one day’s walk and preached, “In forty days Nineveh will be smashed.”

The people of Nineveh listened, and trusted God. They proclaimed a citywide fast and dressed in burlap to show their repentance. Everyone did it—rich and poor, famous and obscure, leaders and followers.

When the message reached the king of Nineveh, he got up off his throne, threw down his royal robes, dressed in burlap, and sat down in the dirt. Then he issued a public proclamation throughout Nineveh, authorized by him and his leaders: “Not one drop of water, not one bite of food for man, woman, or animal, including your herds and flocks! Dress them all, both people and animals, in burlap, and send up a cry for help to God.

Everyone must turn around, turn back from an evil life and the violent ways that stain their hands. Who knows? Maybe God will turn around and change his mind about us, quit being angry with us and let us live!”

God saw what they had done, that they had turned away from their evil lives. God did change God’s mind about them. What God said God would do to them God didn’t do.

Jonah was furious. He lost his temper. He yelled at God, “God! I knew it—when I was back home, I knew this was going to happen! That’s why I ran off to Tarshish! I knew you were sheer grace and mercy, not easily angered, rich in love, and ready at the drop of a hat to turn your plans of punishment into a program of forgiveness!

“So, God, if you won’t kill them, kill me! I’m better off dead!”

God said, “What do you have to be angry about?

Why can’t I change what I feel about Nineveh from anger to pleasure?”
I change what I feel about Nineveh from anger to pleasure?”

Ministry of Music

Lord You Are the Music

David Lantz
Senior Choir

You touch us with your spirit and you fill us with your song.
You serenade our yearning souls, you make fragile hearts grow strong.
As we are filled with reverence we sing this hymn of praise.
With harmony of grateful hearts our voices now we raise.

Holy Lord, you are the music, we are your song.
We are as one voice and to you our hearts belong.
Lord you echo through us with such a sweet refrain.
In every passing day we will sing your song again.

In joyful alleluias or a quiet prayerful song,
a chorus of a thousand souls or a few to carry on,
We sing our praises to you with numbers large or small.
Your melodious love unites us to praise you one and all.
So we worship you oh Holy Lord, we glorify your name.
And we come to you in one accord your greatness to proclaim.

Holy Lord you are the music, we are your song.
We are as one voice and to you our hearts belong.
Lord you echo through us with such a sweet refrain.
Oh Lord you are the music, You are the music,
You are the music and Lord we are your song.



Apostles Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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 the life everlasting. Amen.**

Community Prayers

Let us pray....

Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Lea Spang, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Kelly Scott, Diane Louangrath, Sue Baker, Julie Dennis' uncle Ed Stewart, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Amy DeLorenzo, Linda and Don Williams, Pamela Andrews, Val Farnham, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt, Brittany Parsons, Lynn Belhorn's mother Maryland Belhorn and friend MaryAnn, Laura Warren's brother Walter Hudson and his wife Jan, Bill Boys, Doretha Holland, Dolores Brannigan's husband Dave, Shirley and Jack Miller, Deidre (DJ) Zimmer, Jon Dennis, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Carolyn and Ed Klopfer, Nancy Stinson's brother Tom Starkey, Ranel and Neil Hoddinott, Kathleen Zwanziger's brother Mark Zwanziger, Larry Trover, Donna Schmidt's sister Cathy Schmidt, Earl Bradley's brother Fay Bradley, Laura and Terry Warren on the death of Laura's brother Bill Hudson.

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We take time to greet one another with words like Peace be with you.

Children's Time

Mary Bowling

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

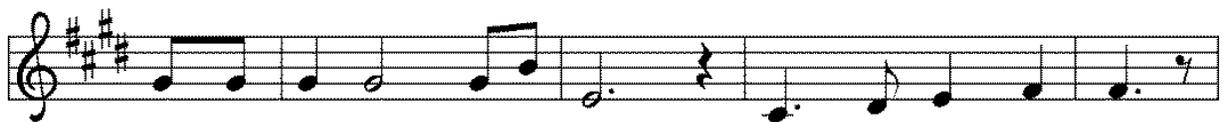
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**And also with you.
We lift them to the Lord.**

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

In the beginning, the Spirit brooded time into being, so that God could give form to the world. At the Incarnation, the Spirit breathed God's time into being, so that the world could receive the Word. Through Pentecost, the Spirit brought transformed time into being, so that the Word could meet us everywhere.

Holy God, your Christ sends the Spirit to be a companion to all who follow your Way. As inheritors of both the challenge and the comfort of your Way, we join with all who have made this journey in other places and at other times, raising our voices in this timeless song of praise:



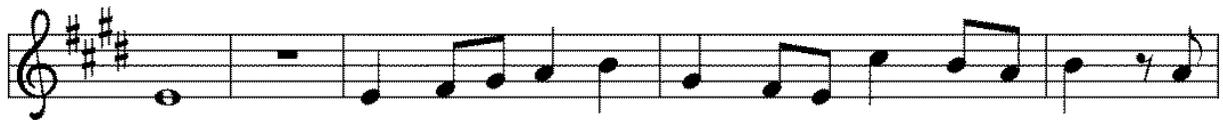
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -



est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Entering these gifts of bread and wine, the Spirit blesses this time, and makes Christ alive in this meal to comfort, challenge and transform us. God has prepared a room for us: fire to warm our hearts, water to wash our weary feet, the table set and waiting. And now, from beyond time, the breath of the Spirit comes whispering through the fabric of time to call us in. So come ... whether your time is just beginning or many years in the making; whether your hours are filled and fruitful or wanting and withered; whether you have invested wisely or buried your coins in the ground; for here at this table, through the power of the Spirit, God's time and our time come together in bread and wine – a place of timeless and timely grace.

We recall how Jesus, drawing near to the end of his time on earth, ate a last meal with his friends. We remember how his words and actions disturbed and dismayed them; but also how he offered them comfort and encouragement for the time to come. We remember that he took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his friends saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body broken for you. Do this to remember me" And after supper he took a cup, and gave it to them, saying, "This cup is the new covenant, sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me."



Hear us now as, at this time, we commit ourselves to your Way, and pray the prayer Jesus taught us:

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

As we share these gifts of grace, may the Holy Spirit take and transform them that we may know both their comfort and their challenge, and so transform ourselves and our time. Here is bread and wine – touched and transformed by the Spirit. Come, eat and drink, and be healed and strengthened for this time and for time to come.

Sharing the Meal

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Spirit, You who mothered creation and enabled Incarnation, continue to form and nurture us as we stumble towards maturity. Spirit, You who led Jesus into the wilderness, stir us out of ease and safety as we follow the way of Christ. Spirit, You who transformed the disciples, grace and gift us for the task of building the beloved community Christ lived, died, and rose for. Spirit, You whom Jesus sends as Friend, continue to comfort and discomfort us until justice prevails, peace reigns and love directs all.
Amen.

WE ARE SENT

Hymn

Will You Come and Follow Me



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
your name? Will you quell the fear in -
my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
side and nev - er be the same?
you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
world a - round, through my sight and touch and
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
sound in you and you in me?"
grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

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Blessing

Amen.

Postlude

In Christ There is No East or West, arr. Mark Hayes

Our first act of love is to greet those standing near us and around us.

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Assisting Minister	Katie Jacobs
ASL Interpreter	Tori Reed
Reader	Bill Boys
Cantor	Renee Glover-Oakleaf
Children's Time	Mary Bowling
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chimes Choir Director	Karen Kent
Producer	Kristi Hildebrand

*Flowers are dedicated by **Kevin Bailey** in honor of **Dad**.
 Noisy Offering will go to Kaleidoscope Youth Center.*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER SEPTEMBER 20 - 27

Today	YouTube 10:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion ZOOM Adult Education
Tuesday	1:00 pm 7:00 pm	ZOOM Bible Study ZOOM Journaling Workshop
Wednesday	7:00 pm	ZOOM Conversations on Race
Thursday	3:00 pm	LSS / Mid-Ohio Food Giveaway
Saturday	9:00 am 10:00 am	Pick Garden Garden Giveaway
Next Sunday	YouTube 10:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion ZOOM Adult Education



Adult Sunday School
10 am Sundays
Via ZOOM



WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT ___?

Topic: Redeemer Sunday adult ed Zoom Meeting
Time: Sep 20, 2020 10:00 AM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83783266885?pwd=S3hqdl1dQR3lUbjdvYU9nWGk3MnI0dz09>

Meeting ID: 837 8326 6885

Passcode: 043099

Phone only: 646 876 9923



Tuesdays 1- 2:30 pm
The Book of Genesis
We'd love to have you join us via
ZOOM!

Topic: Tuesday Bible Study Zoom Meeting
Time: Sep 22, 2020 1:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87137366983?pwd=T0NoUU5ORmNYNlYrajhpZ2hGR09pdz09>

Meeting ID: 871 3736 6983

Passcode: 619946

Phone only: 646 876 9923



**Journaling
Workshop**
7-8:30 pm
4th Tuesdays
Via ZOOM



Conversations on Race
Wednesday, August 19
7:00 pm
Via ZOOM

Join us as we as we speak with **Rob Sievert Wagner and Quay Barnes** about the work of BREAD.

Topic: Redeemer Race Conversations with BREAD Zoom Meeting

Time: Sep 23, 2020 07:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting: ID: 852 0183 5611; Passcode: 640224

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Phone only: 646 876 9923



**LSS/MidOhio Food Bank
Produce Giveaway**

Thursday

September 24

Volunteers always welcome!



RLC Garden Giveaway

Produce from our own garden
and donations from friends and neighbors

Saturday mornings

10 am until gone