



Riverside Congregational Church

July 26, 2021

9th Sunday of Pentecost

Call to Worship

Leader: Fools say in their hearts, “There is no God.”
They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds;
there is no one who does good.

People: The Lord looks down from heaven on humankind
to see if there are any who are wise,
who seek after God.

Call to Worship

Leader: They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse;
there is no one who does good,
no, not one.

People: Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers
who eat up my people as they eat bread,
and do not call upon the Lord?

Call to Worship

Leader: There they shall be in great terror,
for God is with the company of the righteous.

People: You would confound the plans of the poor,
but the Lord is their refuge.

All: O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!
When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,
Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

His Strength is Perfect

His strength is perfect when our strength is gone;
He'll carry us when we can't carry on.
Raised in his power, the weak become strong;
His strength is perfect, his strength is perfect.

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Ephesians 3:14-21

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Ephesians 3:14-21

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen



Sermon

Our Dependence on God, Rooted in Love

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O Come Angel Band

My latest sun is sinking fast, my race is nearly run,
My strongest trials now are past, my triumph is begun!

O come angel band, come and around me stand!
O bear me away on your snowy wings to my immortal home!
O bear me away on your snowy wings to my immortal home!

I know I'm nearing holy ranks of friends and kindred dear;
I brush the dew of Jordan's banks, the crossing must be near.



O Come Angel Band

O come angel band, come and around me stand!

O bear me away on your snowy wings to my immortal home!

O bear me away on your snowy wings to my immortal home!

O bear my longing heart to him who bled and died for me;

Whose blood now cleanses from all sin, and gives me victory.

O come angel band, come and around me stand!

O bear me away on your snowy wings to my immortal home!

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Pastoral Prayer

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The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth,
As it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
The power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.**

Lord I Lift Your Name on High

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High
Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life,
I'm so glad you came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky.
Lord, I lift your name on high.

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Benediction