

**Salem United Church of Christ
Worship Order**

June 14, 2020 • The Second Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE Chappell Kingsland, Keyboard

WELCOME Rev. Russ Kirby

RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP Deb Mayhew

One: The Church is not a building,

Many: The Church is not stained glass.

One: The church is Christ's believers,

Many: The church is US: people!

One: We come together as Christ's Body,

Many: And we celebrate Christ's holy name!

One: As the Body of Christ is to us,

All: May we be the Body of Christ to the world. Amen.

OPENING HYMN *God of Grace and God of Glory* NCH 436

**God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your
power;**

**crown your ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious
flower.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.**

**From the evils that surround us and assail the Savior's ways,
from the fears that long have bound us—free our hearts for
faith and praise.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days, for the living of these days.**

**Cure your children's warring madness; bend our pride to
your control.**

**Shame our reckless, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in
soul.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
make our broken spirits whole, make our broken spirits
whole.**

**Set our feet on lofty places; gird our lives that they may be
armored with all Christ-like graces, in the fight to set us free.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
in the quest for liberty, in the quest for liberty.**

**Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;
let the search for your salvation be our glory evermore.**

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving you whom we adore, serving you whom we adore.**

UNISON PRAYER

Deb Mayhew

**God of creation and God of relation, we give you thanks for
Christ's Church. You called us into being through our
Redeemer, filled us with the Holy Spirit, and birthed us into
the world. Grant us courage to make a difference, even
when it's hard, and embolden us to love you, and to love
our neighbor—no matter who they may be. Amen.**

HYMN OF PREPARATION *Ancient Words*

Ancient words ever true

Changing me, and changing you

We have come with open hearts

Oh let the ancient words impart. *(Repeat)*

³ But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan, saying: ⁴ Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: You shall not build me a house to live in. ⁵ For I have not lived in a house since the day I brought out Israel to this very day, but I have lived in a tent and a tabernacle.

⁷ Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people Israel; ⁸ and I have been with you wherever you went...

1 Kings 6:14, 19-23

¹⁴ So Solomon built the temple and completed it.

¹⁹ He prepared the inner sanctuary within the temple to set the ark of the covenant of the Lord there. ²⁰ The inner sanctuary was twenty cubits long, twenty wide and twenty high. He overlaid the inside with pure gold, and he also overlaid the altar of cedar. ²¹ Solomon covered the inside of the temple with pure gold, and he extended gold chains across the front of the inner sanctuary, which was overlaid with gold. ²² So he overlaid the whole interior with gold. He also overlaid with gold the altar that belonged to the inner sanctuary.

²³ For the inner sanctuary he made a pair of cherubim out of olive wood, each ten cubits high. NRSV

THE MESSAGE “Church Stuff: Sanctuary Symbols” Rev. Kirby

MUSICAL OFFERING Chappell Kingsland, Keyboard

DOXOLOGY NCH #780

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God for all that Love has done,
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Kirby

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE Hear Our Prayer, O God

NCH #769

**Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God;
incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

Forward through the Ages

NCH #377

**Forward through the ages, in unbroken line,
move the faithful spirits at the call divine;
Gifts in differing measure, hearts of one accord,
manifold in service, one the sure reward.**

Refrain:

**Forward through the ages, in unbroken line,
Move the faithful spirits at the call divine.**

**Wide grows God's dominion, reign of love and peace;
for it we must labor, till all strivings cease.
Prophets have proclaimed it, teachers testified,
poets sung its glory, martyrs for it died.**

(Refrain)

(CONTINUED)

**Not alone we conquer, not alone we fall;
in each loss or triumph, lose or triumph all.
Bound by God's far purpose in one living whole,
move we on together to the shining goal.**
(Refrain)

BENEDICTION

Rev. Kirby

Leader: May the Peace of God go with you.

People: And also with you. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

NCH 393

**Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
Yes, we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again!**

Postlude

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