

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Ninth Sunday of Pentecost
August 2, 2020

Prelude

Thomas Broadus

Welcome

Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: In this hour we surrender all to Christ

Congregation: Trusting in his presence

Leader: And so, we come to worship humbly

Congregation: To celebrate the goodness of the Lord

***Opening Hymn “Jesus Shall Reign Wher’er the Sun**

***Invocation (in unison)**

O Lord, we gather as one congregation among many, in the universal witness to Christ. Make us ever mindful of the members of the body of Christ world wide, many jubilant in their joys, and many aware of the difficult conditions under which they share the Gospel. We pray for the continued strength of our brothers and sisters near and far. Amen

A Trio – “It is Well With My Soul” Baptiste, Gallagher, Richard

Vs. 4 And Lord haste the day when my faith shall be sight

The clouds rolled back as a scroll

The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,

Even so, it is well with my soul even so

Chorus

It is well, it is well, With my soul, with my soul

It is well, it is well, with my soul

This Morning’s Scriptural Texts

Galatians 5:22-24

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

II Peter 1:3-11

His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires. For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble, and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of God.

Matthew 27:12-14

And while He was being accused by the chief priests and elders, He did not answer. Then Pilate said to Him, “Do You not hear how many things they testify against You?” And He did not answer him with regard to even a *single* charge, so the governor was quite amazed.

Leader: The word of God for the people
of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God

The Homily “Christian Virtues: Self-Control”

Dr Richard

The Morning Prayers

Prayer Requests
Silent Meditation
Pastoral Prayer
The Lord’s Prayer

Call To Offering

***Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessing flow
Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Amen*

Dedication of Our Gifts and Offerings

The Lord's Supper

The Invitation

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Kind and merciful God, we have sinned in your sight. We have wandered far from your way. We have followed our desires and have failed to aspire to righteousness. We have not lived the virtues we ought to display. Forgive us and redeem our way. In the name of your Son, Jesus. Amen

Sharing The Elements

“Let us Break Bread Together”

(During the singing of this hymn. those who are present, are welcome to come forward individually and take communion elements back to your seat. We will partake of them together, with those who are sharing elements with us at home)

Consecration Prayer

Sharing the bread and cup

Prayer of Thanks

***A Hymn of Commitment “Christ For The World We Sing”**

***The Blessing**

***Choral Benediction “God Be With You Till We Meet Again”**

*God be with you til we meet again
By his counsels guide uphold you
With his sheep securely fold you
God be with you til we meet again*

*Please stand if you are able

Welcome

This worship service is our primary way of connecting these days. We sincerely welcome you and hope that the service is of help to you!

The Sacrament of Communion

We practice an open communion table to which all are invited. During this covid-19 pandemic, we celebrate the sacrament by individually coming to the table and taking the elements back to your pew. When all have served themselves, we will partake together. Those of you who are connecting by zoom or phone can either pick up communion elements at the church (Saturday morning from 9-1pm on the left as you enter Wesley Hall door) or provide your own at home.

Are You A Visitor?

We would like to send you a personal note of welcome. There are information cards in the foyer to fill out before you leave, take with you, and bring or send it back to us. (There are disinfected pens available. Once you use one please place it in the "used" container. We want to stay connected with you in these days of so much disconnection.

Your Financial Support is Important

Thank you to those of you who support this church. If you have wish to contribute using your iPhone you can download the app for Tithe.ly (please note how it is spelled, so that you download the correct app). The church is listed there for you to select and make your donation OR, you can send a check to UMC Box 264 Nantucket, MA 02554. If you are here in the sanctuary this morning, there are envelopes and an offering plate in the narthex for you to use as you leave the service.

Hymns

What are your favorite hymns? Whether you have a Methodist hymnal at home (there are copies in the foyer, if you wish to take one home with you today) or you have heard hymns that you wish we would sing, please let us know their titles. You can write them down and deposit them in the offering plate on your way out. or send your choices to our pastor drtmrichard@gmail.com

From My Heart To Yours...

Dear Friends,

A clergy friend from Maine often listens in on our worship services, and appreciates the we are speaking of Christian virtues this Summer. “They could not come at a more appropriate time,” she stated.

Sometimes we get caught by the seat of our pants (so to speak) while reading our Bibles. A passage(es) grab our attention in a profound way. And when it happens, it is as if that passage makes a leap from the “then-and-there to the here-and-now.” Biblical scholars have called this the hermeneutical leap. (Hermeneutics is a Greek word for “interpretation”)

Whatever the cause this jump has, the effect is what matters. These are days when we Christians are reminded to think about the impact we could/would have on this divided world, if we lived more peacefully, joyfully, kindly, patiently....

There are times when we do not choose texts on which to preach, but they seem to be chosen for us. Such is the case of this Summer series, based on Galatians 5. I chose it with one thing in mind and it turned out to address us as if it was written just for today.

Grace and Peace,

Tom

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