



Nantucket
United Methodist Church
Sunday November 15, 2020
10:00am
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Twenty Fourth Sunday of Pentecost
November 15, 2020

Prelude

Isaiah Williams

Welcome & Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Let the message of Christ dwell among us richly
as we teach one another with all wisdom

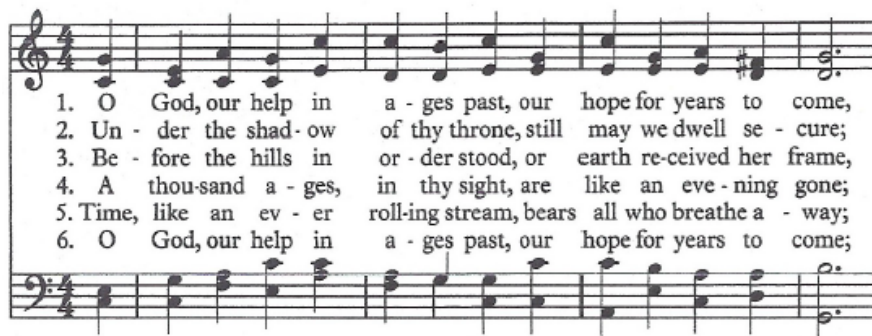
**Congregation: Through psalms, hymns, and songs
from the Spirit, let us sing to God with gratitude in
your hearts.**

Leader: And let us hear the Word of God

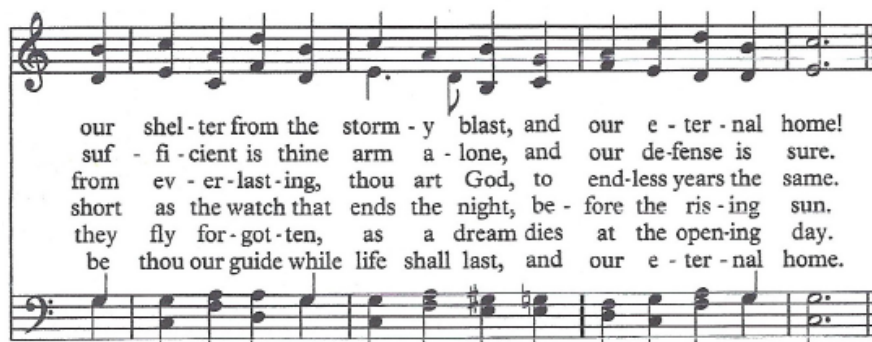
**Congregation: But more...let us take it with us into the
world.**

***Opening Hymn "Our God Our Help..."No. 117 (vs.1-3)**

117 O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2. Un - der the shad - ow of thy throne, still may we dwell se - cure;
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
4. A thou - sand a - ges, in thy sight, are like an eve - ning gone;
5. Time, like an ev - er roll - ing stream, bears all who breathe a - way;
6. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come;



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home!
suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing, thou art God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night, be - fore the ris - ing sun.
they fly for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the open - ing day.
be thou our guide while life shall last, and our e - ter - nal home.

***Invocation Prayer (in unison)**

O Lord, our God, grant us grace to desire you with our whole heart, that in so desiring, we may seek and find you this hour, and so in finding you, we may love you the more, and so loving you, we may push aside any wrongdoings from which you have redeemed us, all for the sake of Jesus Christ, Amen (St Anselm 1033, adapted)

***This Morning's Scriptures**

Psalm 90:1-8, (excerpts)

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

Congregation: Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world

Leader: From everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Congregation: For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night.

Leader: So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; For you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so

that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Matthew 25:30

For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him,

and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Leader: The word of God for the people of God

Congregation: Thanks be to God

A Hymn Be Still My Soul No. 534

534

Be Still, My Soul

1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side.
2. Be still, my soul: your God will un - der - take
3. Be still, my soul: the hour is has - tening on

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are printed below the treble staff.

Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain;
to guide the fu - ture, as in a - ges past.
when we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord,

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff.

leave to your God to or - der and pro - vide;
Your hope, your con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake;
when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,

The third system of musical notation concludes the hymn. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff.

in ev - ery change God faith - ful will re - main.
 all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.
 sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored.

Be still, my soul: your best, your heaven - ly friend
 Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
 Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,

through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
 the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.
 all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

Sermon "No Fear" 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 Offering**

***A Hymn of Commitment "Be Not Afraid" John Michael Talbot**

Verse 1

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of
thirst.

You shall wander far in safety though you do not know
the way.

You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will
understand.

You shall see the face of God and live.

Refrain

Be not afraid.

I go before you always.

Come follow me, and

I will give you rest.

Verse 2

If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall
not drown.

If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be
harmed.

If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your
side,

know that I am with you through it all.

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Blessed are your poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall
laugh.
And if wicked tongues insult and hate you all because of
me, blessed, blessed are you!

The Blessing

***Choral Benediction (in unison)**
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

Welcome

This is a day that God has made. We are blessed that
you are rejoicing in it with us.

Prayer Requests

It's working! Thank you for using the prayer request
cards in your worship bulletin. They help a great deal.
Because of masks and distance to the pulpit he wants to
be sure to receive your requests accurately. Please your
requests on the pulpit before worship begins. For those
of you joining us by zoom, please email me [drtmrich-
ard@gmail.com](mailto:drtmrich-ard@gmail.com) with your requests. He will access them
until 8:30am Sunday mornings, or you can let us know on
-line before the service begins.

Your Offering...

Thank you for your donations to our ministry, They are so
appreciated. If you are physically present you can use
the offering plate in the foyer to deposit your gift. If on-
line, go to our web site and there you will find other op-
tions. We are grateful for your support.

Bible Study

The study of the Gospel of Luke continues on Wednesdays 7-8 pm. If you wish to join the discussion please let Dr. Richard know and he will send you the notes from the chapter we are studying, and how to access the on-line group. Jump in anytime, there is no time limit to the wisdom of Luke.

From My Heart To Yours...

Dear Friends,

Sir Michael Costa, a celebrated conductor, was holding a rehearsal. As the mighty chorus rang out, accompanied by scores of instruments, the piccolo player--a little pint-sized flute--thinking perhaps that his contribution would not be missed amid so much music, stopped playing. Suddenly, the Costa stopped the music and shouted out, "Where is the piccolo?" Like all conductors, Costa had an ear for every sound that contributed to the orchestra. To him there are no insignificant instruments in an orchestra. Sometimes the smallest and seemingly least important one can make the greatest contribution and even if it doesn't seem to make that big a difference to the audience at large, it does to the conductor.

In a Church, especially a church like ours, the players and the instruments are diverse—different sizes, different shapes, different notes, different roles to play. But like the piccolo player in Sir Michael's orchestra, there are days when one of you might think that your contribution is not significant. And so you quit playing. Stop doing that which we are gifted to do. We drop out. I just have to believe I'm talking to some piccolo players this morning, who have dropped out of the orchestra, for whatever reasons: pain, exhaustion, fear? Convinced that your contribution doesn't mean much in the larger scale of things. We have buried our talent in the ground.

For all piccolos who are afraid, or at least aren't playing, Jesus has something to say to you in this parable we are reading this morning.

Grace and Peace,

Tom

The health Dept of the town commended us on the precautions we have already taken, and for those we are planning to take. Thank you for all of your cooperation.

Grace and Peace,
Tom

Directory

Accompanist Mollie Glazer & Isaiah Williams
Lay Leader Sylvester Baptiste
Chair Admin. Board Marianne Stanton
Chair Altar Guild and Emeritus Chair, Trustees, Nelson Eldridge
Chair Trustees Toby Brown
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