

September 19, 2021 11:00 a.m.



PRELUDE

Partita on LEONI J. Weber

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT

Be J. Townend / C. Dyck

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#16 The God of Abraham Praise LEONI

*INVOCATION AND 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord our God,

we have promised to trust you and to follow you in our daily lives.

Like Abraham and Sarah we sometimes find your word impossible to believe.

When we wander in barren and lifeless places, we doubt that you are there.

When life becomes too complicated,

we fail to hear your voice above the noise.

When the tasks ahead seem too difficult,

we worry and fret but neglect to call on you.

Forgive us Lord. Help us to rest in the certainty that

you love us and will provide for us.

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

R. Goodson

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and Ever shall be, world without end. Amen

FIRST READING

Genesis 17:15-21

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

RESPONSIVE READING

One: Isaac asked his father Abraham, "Where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

Many: God himself will provide the lamb

One: God rescued his people from Egypt

Many: They were preserved by the blood of a lamb
One: John the Baptist saw Jesus coming to the Jordan River

Many: Here is the lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. All: Praise be to Jesus, the lamb of God. To him be honour, glory and blessing. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#423 Surely It Is God Who Saves Me IN BABILONE

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN OF MEDITATION

#429 If You Will Trust in God to Guide You NEUMARK

SECOND READING

Genesis 21:1-3: 22:1-14

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON "God as Tester? Or Provider?"

Rev. Dr. Ryan Sato

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Offertory

Prelude on BUNESSAN

N. Palmer

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

#78 God of the Ages, History's Maker

BUNESSAN

*THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Choral Benediction

O God, Your Constant Care and Love H. G. Lanier/T. Paris

*The Sending of the Community

*Congregational Amen

The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

*POSTLUDE

Finale Jubilante

H. Willan

*Please stand, as you are able

We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Writer - Anne Bellamy; Writer of the Prayers of the People - Rose Merke; Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams

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