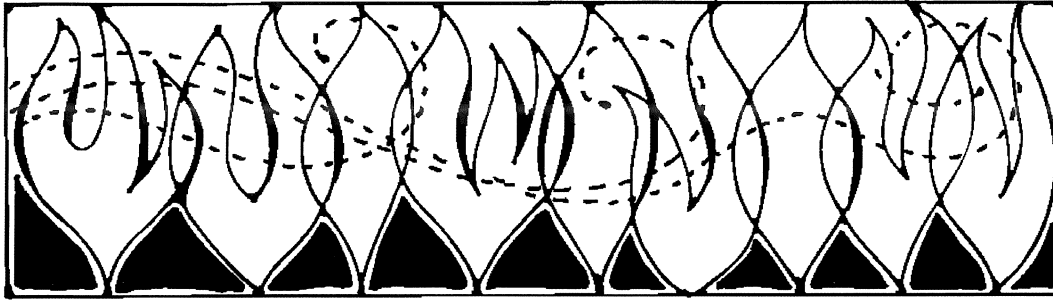




Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

September 22, 2024, 11:00



Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

Voluntary in F
Aria in F

P. Lehenbauer
J.S. Dixon

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT

God of Great and God of Small

N. Sleeth

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#48 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

Chord progression: G C Am D Em $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 G

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

G C Am D Em $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 G

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in night;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

G $\frac{D}{F\#}$ G Em $\frac{G}{B}$ D

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
 all praise we would ren - der, O help us to see

G C Am D Em $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 G

al - mighty, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and with - er and per - ish— but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

***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

Creator God,
we confess to having a few questions.
Are you real? We mean really real.
How interventionist are you?
How true is true?
Which Christian traditions
are simply a weak response
to things we don't understand?
Are the things that matter -
mostly beyond our understanding anyways?
Do we matter? We mean actually matter.

Creator God,
in a world much bigger than us,
we confess to having some questions.
We know you can bear all our questions.
Fill us with all the understanding we can bear.

(Silence for personal reflection and confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

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

R. Goodson

FIRST TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 1

Pages 539, 1st half of the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

ANTHEM

I Believe

M. A. Miller

LITANY

One: Our delight is in the Lord.

Many: Blessed is the one who thinks.

One: Our delight is in the Lord.

Many: Blessed is the one who questions.

One: Our delight is in the Lord.

Many: Blessed is the one who seeks understanding.

One: Our delight is in the Lord.

Many: Blessed is the one whose delight is in the Lord.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#629 Strong, Gentle, Children

TWILIGHT

Unison
G C/G G C/G



1 Strong, gen - tle chil - dren, God made you beau - ti - ful,
2 Strong, hurt - ing chil - dren, an - gry and ter - ri - fied,
3 Strong, know - ing chil - dren, ut - ter your cry a - loud,

Bm Em7 Am7 D

gave you the wis - dom and pow - er you need;
o - pen the se - crets your life has con - cealed;
hon - or the wis - dom God gave you at birth;

$\frac{G}{B}$ G $\frac{C}{G}$ G $\frac{C}{G}$

speak in the still - ness all you are long - ing for;
though you are wound - ed, know you are not to blame;
speak to your el - ders till they have heard your voice;

Bm7 Em7 Am7 D7 G

live out your call - ing to love and to lead.
cry out your sto - ry till truth is re - vealed.
sing out your vi - sion of heal - ing on earth.

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN OF MEDITATION


#464 May the Mind of Christ, My Savior

ST. LEONARD'S

$E\flat$ $\frac{E\flat}{G}$ $\frac{B\flat 7}{F}$ $E\flat$ $\frac{Fm}{A\flat}$ $Fm7$ $\frac{E\flat}{B\flat}$ $B\flat$ $E\flat$ Cm $\frac{B\flat}{D}$ $E\flat$ Cm $F7$ $B\flat$



1 May the mind of Christ, my Sav - ior, live in me from day to day,
2 May the Word of God dwell rich - ly in my heart from hour to hour,
3 May the peace of God, my Fa - ther, rule my life in ev - ery - thing,
4 May the love of Je - sus fill me, as the wa - ters fill the sea,
5 May I run the race be - fore me, strong and brave to face the foe,



$\frac{E\flat}{G}$ $A\flat$ $\frac{E\flat}{G}$ $\frac{B\flat 7}{F}$ $E\flat$ $\frac{Fm}{A\flat}$ $Fm7$ $\frac{E\flat}{B\flat}$ $\frac{E\flat}{G}$ $\frac{Fm}{A\flat}$ $B\flat 7$ $E\flat$ sus $E\flat$



by his love and power con - trol - ling all I do and say.
so that all may see I tri - umph on - ly through his power.
that I may be calm to com - fort sick and sor - row - ing.
him ex - alt - ing, self a - bas - ing—this is vic - to - ry.
look - ing on - ly un - to Je - sus as I on - ward go.



SECOND TESTAMENT READING

Mark 9:30-37

Pages 46, 2nd half of the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

SERMON "Welcome Jesus"

Rev. Dr. Ryan Sato

(Silence for personal reflection)

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Prelude Op. 75 No 5

J. Sibelius

*New Doxology

Marco Adria

Let's praise God for each good thing.

All creation, shout and sing!

Praise three Persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

*Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

#587 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

WORDS and MUSIC: Sebastian Temple (1928-1998); arr. Jane Holstein (1958-)

Dedicated to Mrs. Frances Tracy
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PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS
Irregular

The musical score is written for a three-part setting (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor/Bass) in 3/2 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is primarily in the Soprano part, with the Alto and Tenor/Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where there is ha-tred
2 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where there's de-spair in
3 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. It is in par-don-

The score includes a variety of musical notations, including eighth notes, quarter notes, and half notes, as well as rests and dynamic markings. The lyrics are aligned with the corresponding musical phrases.

Bm $\frac{G}{B}$ Bm7 C2 A7sus A7 Em

let me bring your love. (love.) Where there is in - ju -
 life let me bring hope. (hope.) Where there is dark - ness,
 ing that we are par - doned, (par-doned,) in giv - ing of our -

Em7 $\frac{G}{A}$ A7 Em

ry, your par - don, Lord, and where there's doubt, true
 on - ly light, and where there's sad - ness,
 selves that we re - ceive, and in dy - ing that we're

1, 2 $\frac{F\#m}{A}$ A7 D $\frac{C}{D}$ D7 *to Refrain* 3 $\frac{F\#m}{A}$ A7 D

faith in you. O
 ev - er joy. O
 born to e - ter - nal life.

Refrain

G

$\frac{Bm7}{F\#}$

Em7

$\frac{A7}{E}$

Em7

F#m

Bm7

Em

Em7

Mas-ter, grant that I may nev - er seek so much to be con-

A9

D

$\frac{G}{D}$

D7

$\frac{G}{D}$

$\frac{D}{F\#}$

G

Em7

$\frac{A7}{E}$

Em7

soled as to con - sole, to be un - der - stood, as to un - der-

F#m

Bm7

E

E7

$\frac{D}{E}$

E7

A

Em

A

stand, to be loved, as to love with all my soul.

***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**

Shalom, My Friends

Hebrew Melody

***The Sending of the Community**

***Congregational Amen**

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

POSTLUDE

Partita on ST. DENIO

F.D. Ashdown

***Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:
Writing Prayers - Grant McIntyre;
Writing Prayers of the People – Rev. Susan Hunter;
Leading Worship - Christina Ward;
Scripture Reading – Ken Badley, Sandra Beckman;
Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

FBC Ministry Team:

Rev. Dr. Ryan Sato, Senior Minister

Rev. Jeremy Keay, Minister of Youth, Young Adults, Outreach
(on Sabbatical)

Dawn Stiles, Minister of Children and Families

Dr. Evelyn Grieger, Minister of Music

Jerrold Eilander, Organist / Choir Accompanist

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severe scent sensitivities, we ask that people refrain from wearing perfumes and colognes
on Sunday morning to church. Thank you for helping us care for one another. – FBC
Council*