
We Gather in God's Name

As We Prepare for Worship

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

– *attributed to St. Francis of Assisi*

Prelude

“In the Peaceful Presence”

Smith

Gathering Words – *from Psalm 134:1-2*

God of love and peace, you have gathered us together here in your presence. We have come to behold your beauty and to confess our sins.

We have come to hear a word of teaching.

We have come to sing and make music that delights you even as it fills our souls.

We have come to worship and love you.

Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, who see the presence of God.

Lift up your hands to the Holy and bless the LORD.

***Gathering Song #403** “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”
(The music is printed on page 10 of the bulletin.)

Call to Prayer

In the presence of our holy God, let us come together in prayer.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession – *from Isaiah 59*

Let us hear the truth. God's promises are forever. The Lord does not lack the power to save, nor are God's ears unable to hear. Rather, it is our sin that separates us; our denial of the truth. (*vss. 1-2, 21*)

The Lord has looked and is distressed by our lack of justice. (*vs. 15*)

Peace and righteousness seem out of reach. (*vss. 8-9*) In the gloom, we blindly grope for anything to save us. We stumble as if even the daytime were night. A sense of death overwhelms us. We long for God's light. (*vss. 9-10*)

We expect justice but there is none. (*vs. 11*)

We await salvation but it is far from us. (*vs. 11*)

Forgive us when our feet run to evil, when our thoughts are thoughts of revenge, when we make the paths crooked so justice cannot be found. (*vss. 7-8*)

Forgive the rebellion that is in us. Make us aware of our guilt. (*vs. 12*)

May our mouths no longer deny you, Lord. May our plans for oppression and revolt fade away. May we believe truth rather than lies. May your righteousness find us again. (*vss. 13-14*)

silent confession

God's promises are forever.

God does not lack the power to save. Amen.

Words of Life *Isaiah 60:1-2 (CEB)*

Arise! Shine! Your light has come; the LORD's glory has shone upon us. Though darkness covers the earth and gloom the nations, the LORD will shine upon us; God's glory will appear over us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Our Response #621 "I Will Call upon the Lord"

(The music is printed on page 11 of the bulletin.)

The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

God's Word Comes Alive

Prayer for Illumination

God of love and peace, you have gathered us together here in your presence. We have come to behold your beauty and to confess our sins. We have come to hear a word of teaching. Holy Spirit, speak to us now that we may go forth with the words of life. Amen.

A Reading from the Wisdom Writings *James 3:7-18 (CEB)*

⁷ People can tame and already have tamed every kind of animal, bird, reptile, and fish. ⁸ No one can tame the tongue, though. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹ With it we both bless the Lord and Father and curse human beings made in God's likeness. ¹⁰ Blessing and cursing come from the same mouth. My brothers and sisters, it just shouldn't be this way!

¹¹ Both fresh water and salt water don't come from the same spring, do they? ¹² My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree produce olives? Can a grapevine produce figs? Of course not, and fresh water doesn't flow from a saltwater spring either.

¹³ Are any of you wise and understanding? Show that your actions are good with a humble lifestyle that comes from wisdom. ¹⁴ However, if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your heart, then stop bragging and living in ways that deny the truth. ¹⁵ This is not the wisdom that comes down from above. Instead, it is from the earth, natural and demonic.

¹⁶ Wherever there is jealousy and selfish ambition, there is disorder and everything that is evil. ¹⁷ What of the wisdom from above? First, it is pure, and then peaceful, gentle, obedient, filled with mercy and good actions, fair, and genuine. ¹⁸ Those who make peace sow the seeds of justice by their peaceful acts.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

A Reading from the Psalms Psalm 120 (CEB)

I cried out to the LORD when I was in trouble
(and he answered me):

² “LORD, deliver me from lying lips
and a dishonest tongue!”

³ What more will be given to you,
what more will be done to you,
you dishonest tongue?

⁴ Just this: a warrior’s sharpened arrows,
coupled with burning coals from a wood fire!

⁵ Oh, I’m doomed
because I have been an immigrant in Meshech,
because I’ve made my home among Kedar’s tents.

⁶ I’ve lived far too long
with people who hate peace.

⁷ I’m for peace,
but when I speak, they are for war.

Message

“I’m for Peace”

Rev. Michelle Henrichs

Our Sung Response #425 “Son of God, Whose Heart Is Peace”

(The music is printed on page 12 of the bulletin.)

God's Gifts Are Recognized with Thanks

Prayer

Call to Offering – *from Psalm 103:8 (CEB)*

The LORD is compassionate and merciful, very patient, and full of faithful love.

These are the gifts of God given to us. In what ways are we on the journey to share these gifts with others? How are we instruments of peace?

{pause}

With our offering, let us respond to our good God.

***Doxology #390** “Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!”
(The music is printed on page 13 of the bulletin.)

***Prayer of Dedication** (*unison*)

Lord, we are not just the receiver of your good gifts but are also ones who give. May our offering extend your compassion and mercy, your patience and faithful love into the world. Amen.

God Goes with Us into the World

***Sending Song #345** “In an Age of Twisted Values”
(The music is printed on page 14 of the bulletin.)

Benediction

***Postlude**

“Jubilee!”

Moorpark



Today and This Week at Heritage
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
(Sacrament of Holy Communion at
Outdoor Worship Only)

10:00 a.m.	Virtual Worship Liturgist	Rev. Michelle Henrichs Amy Lehmann
10:00 a.m.	Outdoor Worship (Tudor Oaks patio – see map on page 8 of bulletin.)	Rev. Michelle Henrichs
11:00 a.m.	Fellowship via Zoom	

Next Week at Heritage, Oct. 25
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 a.m.	Virtual Worship Liturgist	Rev. Michelle Henrichs Judi Fellows
11:00 a.m.	Fellowship via Zoom	

A Visit with the Pastor

If you would like a visit with Pastor Michelle, please contact her at 262-488-5100, or mahenrichs@gmail.com. You may also leave a message with the church office at 414-425-2050.

Prayer Concerns and Celebrations

Each week, we remember two families in prayer. We thank God for them, ask God's blessing upon them and God's presence with them. Please keep these highlighted families and the other listed people and places in your personal prayers throughout the week.

Highlighted Families:	Gary and Charlotte Stewart, Jacob Jessica Fellows & Mike Krack Charlotte
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Prayer and Meditation via Zoom

Please join us on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 3:00 p.m. for a Prayer and Meditation gathering via Zoom. Our next meeting date is October 28. The information is below (same link each week) and it is also set up as an event on our Facebook page.

<https://zoom.us/j/730001908?pwd=a2Y2K2thUUxzZnR1L01kL0pwdjQ2QT09>

Audio only using any phone (you will need to enter meeting ID and password): 312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 730 001 908 | Password: 056113



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Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty 403

1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me
2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore thee; come thou al - so
3 Speak, O Lord, and I will hear thee; let thy will be

en - ter there, where my soul in joy - ful du - ty
un - to me; where we find thee and a - dore thee,
done in - deed; may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee,

waits for God who an - swers prayer; O how bless - ed
there a heaven on earth must be; to my heart O
while thou dost thy peo - ple feed. Here of life the

is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace.
en - ter thou; let it be thy tem - ple now.
foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

I Will Call upon the Lord 621

Part 1 (melody)

D G D G D G

I will call up-on the Lord who is wor-thy to be

Part 2 (echo)

I will call up-on the Lord

D G D G D G

praised. So shall I be saved from my en-e-mies.

who is wor-thy to be praised. So shall I be

D G D G D G A

I will call up-on the Lord.

saved from my en - e - mies. I will call up-on the Lord.

Refrain

D G D G

The Lord liv-eth, and bless-ed be the Rock, and let the God of my sal-

D G A D G

va-tion be ex - alt - ed. The Lord liv-eth, and bless-ed be the Rock,

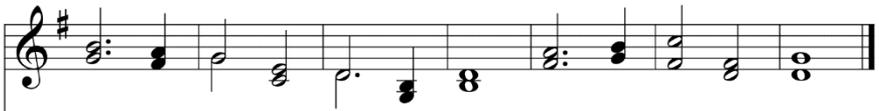
D G A A7 D

and let the God of my sal-va-tion be ex - alt - ed.

Son of God, Whose Heart Is Peace 425



1 Son of God, whose heart is peace, Son of God, most ho - ly,
2 Take a - way our sin - ful - ness, e - vil that im - pris - ons us;
3 Warm our hearts to love you, Lord, you who died to save us;



to your pres - ence we have come; give us now your love.
free us from what trou - bles us; give our souls re - lease.
gath - er us with - in your arms, Je - sus, on this day.



Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord! 390

Louez le Seigneur!

Praise, praise, praise the Lord! Praise God's ho - ly name. Al - le - lu - ia!
Lou - ez le Sei - gneur! Lou - ez son saint nom. Al - le - lu - ia!

Praise God's ho-ly name. Al-le-lu-ia! Praise God's ho-ly name. Al-le-lu-ia!
Lou - ez son saint nom. Al-le-lu-ia! Lou - ez son saint nom. Al-le-lu-ia!

In an Age of Twisted Values 345

Capo 1: (Em) (Bm) (Em) (D) (G) (D)
 Fm Cm Fm E^b A^b E^b



1 In an age of twist-ed val-ues we have lost the
 2 We have built dis-crim-i-na-tion on our prej-u-
 3 When our fam-i-lies are bro-ken, when our homes are
 4 We who hear your word so of-ten choose so rare-ly

(Em) (A) (B7) (Em) (Bm) (Em) (D) (G)
 Fm B^b C7 Fm Cm Fm E^b A^b



truth we need. In so-phis-ti-cat-ed lan-guage we have
 dice and fear. Ha-tred swift-ly turns to cruel-ty if we
 full of strife, when our chil-dren are be-wil-dered, when they
 to o-bey. Turn us from our will-ful wan-dering; give us

(Am) (Em) (Bm) (Em) (C) (G)
 B^bm Fm Cm Fm D^b A^b



jus-ti-fied our greed. By our strug-gle for pos-ses-sions
 hold re-sent-ments dear. For com-mu-ni-ties di-vid-ed
 lose their way in life, when we fail to give the a-ged
 truth to light our way. In the pow-er of your Spir-it

(D) (Am) (Em) (B7) (Em) (Bm)
 E^b B^bm Fm C7 Fm Cm



we have robbed the poor and weak. Hear our cry and
 by the walls of class and race, hear our cry and
 all the care we know they need, hear our cry and
 come to cleanse us, make us new; hear our cry and

(Em) (D) (G) (Am) (Em) (Bm) (Em)
 Fm E^b A^b B^bm Fm Cm Fm



heal our na-tion; your for-give-ness, Lord, we seek.
 heal our na-tion; show us, Lord, your love and grace.
 heal our na-tion; help us show more love, we plead.
 heal our na-tion till our na-tion hon-ors you.