



Noah's Ark, Edward Hicks, American, (1780-1849)
Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia PA

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 27, 2017

10:00 a.m.

WORDS OF WELCOME – Welcome to Faith Church; we are glad you are here.
Infant and childcare (through preschool) are provided all morning in the nursery, the second room on the right through the door by the pulpit. Children through the age of 4 may proceed to the childcare room following the "Moment with Faith Kids" for the remainder of the service.
Worship Bags are available in the back pews of the sanctuary.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

The candle is lit as a symbol of our prayers for peace.

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Christa Fuller Burns

Prelude *O Store Gud* (How Great Thou Art)

arr. Robert Hobby
(b. 1962)

**Please, stand if you are able.*

(The congregation will read the words in bold.)

*Call to Worship

Rev. Bill Millen

One: All things bright and beautiful in the world around us, let us name.

All: *call out your favorite bright and beautiful things.*

One: All creatures great and small in the world around us, let us name.

All: *call out your favorite creature great and small.*

One: All things wise and wonderful in the world around us, let us name.

All: God our Creator has made them all. Let us worship in joy, with gratitude in our hearts.

*Hymn 20 All Things Bright and Beautiful

ROYAL OAK

Lighting of the Peace Candle

Rev. Millen

God of ants and mosquitoes, God of watermelon and sunshine, God of lawn chairs and Frisbee games, we gather this morning, breathe out your Spirit upon us like a summer's breeze. Gently move us like a canoe on a lake, so that, touched by your presence, we may be both comforted and excited, both reassured and changed. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Millen

One: O God, for all the animals in the whole wide world,

All: We thank you.

One: O God, for all the fun and friendship we have with animals,

All: We thank you.

One: O God, for all the times we have hurt or neglected animals,

All: We are sorry.

One: O God, for all the times we have destroyed the homes of animals in the forest, oceans or fields,

All: We are sorry.

Silence is observed.

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Millen

One: As we come home to earth.

All: Christ have mercy.

One: As we seek to love our home.

All: Christ have mercy.

One: As we seek to care for our kin.

All: Christ have mercy.

***Sung Response 583** Glory to God

GLORIA

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

***The Peace of Christ**

Rev. Millen

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

All: And also with you.

TO PROCLAIM AND EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Moment with Faith Kids

Rev. Burns

Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Millen

Your wisdom comes, Creator God, through the word and through the world. Through humans and animals, birds and plants. May we be open to the wisdom of your creation today. Amen.

Lesson Genesis 1:27-31

Rev. Millen

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sermon

"Prayers from the Ark: the Turtle"

Rev. Burns

***Hymn 738** O Master; Let Me Walk with Thee

MARYTON

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Burns

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.

OFFERING

Offertory

***Congregational Response 717**

For the Life That You Have Given

PLEADING SAVOIR

see last page

Offering Prayer

TO GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME

***Hymn 669** Let's Sing unto the Lord

CANTEMOS AL SEÑOR

***Benediction**

Rev. Burns

God the sender, send us. God the sent, come with us. God the strengthener of those how go, empower us, that we may go with you and find those who will call you Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit.

*The service concludes with the following postlude.
Please maintain a worshipful silence.*

Postlude Carillon

Louis Vierne
(1870-1937)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Christa Fuller Burns, Pastor
Dr. Samuel Springer, Minister of Music and Organist.
Rev. Bill Millen, Liturgist

FAITH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lemonade Fellowship

Following worship, please join us on the portico for a cool drink, sweet treats and fellowship.

Steel Drums Today

Steel drums will rehearse at the rear of the sanctuary after worship. Everyone is invited; no prior music experience is needed. Join the band!

Homecoming Sunday *September 10 at 10:45*

We will again celebrate Homecoming Sunday outside on the south lawn. The Mt. Ararat Boys bluegrass band will provide the music for worship. Following worship, there will be a picnic lunch. Please bring a salad or a dessert to share.

GEDCO Volunteers Needed

GEDCO's Epiphany House on York Road serves low-income, older adults with disabilities and seniors. The elevator is out-of-order and they needs volunteers to assist day-to-day tasks such as laundry, mail pickup, taking out trash, errands, etc.

They are also seeking assistance to provide meals on weekends during this hot weather to 19 individuals, seven who need to refrain from salt and sugar. If you can be any assistance or for more information, please call Valerie Walker at 410-323-3040.

Habitat Work Days

Chesapeake Habitat for Humanity has scheduled two dates for volunteers to work at the McCabe housing site where we have been involved in the past. The dates are Saturdays September 23 and October 28.

If you are interested in volunteering for a little home construction (deconstruction?) on either of these dates, please contact **Susan Minor**. Faith has been a very faithful partner in the work being accomplished in this neighborhood. Please consider lending your sweat, muscle, and love in an extremely worthwhile and satisfying project.

Anniversary of Marcus Edwards' Death

Faith Church and St. Matthew's Church are planning a prayer service on the evening of September 19th, the anniversary of the murder of Marcus. Details will be forthcoming after we've had a chance to consult the other churches on the Loch Raven corridor.

Joys and Concerns may be written before the service in a special book in the narthex. The book will be brought to the minister before the prayer.

Please pray for our homebound members:

Christian Dunyoh

Esmie & Leon Stirling

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Betty Lou Tampieri

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717 For the Life That You Have Given

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gifts that are your own: here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es;
heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to
love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

The musical score is written for voice and piano in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of six systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in Christ made known, with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these gifts that are your own: here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es; heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing."

The text was commissioned in 1987 by Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago, where it has continued to be used each Sunday as the offertory response. The triune activity of God as Creator (line 1), Savior (line 2), and Sustainer (line 7) enables and inspires our thanks and praise.

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MUSIC: Leavitt's *Christian Lyre*, 1830/31
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PLEADING SAVIOR
8.7.8.7.D
(alternate harmonization, 23)