Gilead Presbyterian Church Proper 12, Year C July 24, 2022, 10:00 a.m.



WELCOME

Convinced of God's Grace, we affirm that there can be no exclusiveness in the body of Christ. We welcome all regardless of race, ethnic heritage, national origin, age, ability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic standing; and we encourage the full participation of all in the life of our congregation.

OPENING MUSIC	"Prelude on "Boylston"	
	"A Charge to Keep Have I"	by Gordon Young
	Mary Temple, organ	

OPENING SCRIPTURE (from Psalm 85) Leader: Let us behold the goodness of God! **People: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet.** Leader: Righteousness and peace will kiss each other. **People: Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,** Leader: and righteousness will look down from the sky. **People: Let us behold the goodness of God!**

*PURPLE HYMNAL #39 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" 1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee. Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not. As thou hast been thou forever wilt be. *Refrain:* Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning, new mercies I see. All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

2. Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Refrain)

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER CALL TO CONFESSION UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION God of perfect love, you continually bring forth life, transforming sadness to joy, and despair to hope We are weak, but you are strong. Our ways are flawed, but your ways are true. We are seldom right, but you are never wrong. Forgive us; redeem us; transform us. Take away the sin that burdens us, and restore us to the people you would have us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen. © Presbyterian Outlook, 2022. Liturgy written by John Wurster and provided for free distribution SILENT PRAYER ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***THE GLORIA**

Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

THE PEACE OF CHRIST Leader: Peace be with you. **People: And also with you.**

ANTHEM	"Until Then"	by Stuart Hamilton
	Duane Stroud-Boutté, piano	arr. by Fred Bock

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART The children remain in worship today.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 84

¹ How lovely is your dwelling place, LORD Almighty! ² Mv soul vearns, even faints. for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. ³Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself. where she may have her younga place near your altar, LORD Almighty, my King and my God. ⁴Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.^[c] ⁵Blessed are those whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on pilgrimage. ⁶ As they pass through the Valley of Baka, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools.^[d]

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⁷ They go from strength to strength, till each appears before God in Zion.

- ⁸ Hear my prayer, LORD God Almighty; listen to me, God of Jacob.
- ⁹Look on our shield,^[e] O God;

look with favor on your anointed one.

- ¹⁰ Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
- than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- ¹¹ For the LORD God is a sun and shield;
- the LORD bestows favor and honor;
- no good thing does he withhold
- from those whose walk is blameless.
- ¹² LORD Almighty, blessed is the one who trusts in you.

Luke 11:1-13

11 One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

²He said to them, "When you pray, say:

"'Father,^[a]

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come.^[b]

³ Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴ Forgive us our sins,

for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.^[c]

And lead us not into temptation.[d]"

⁵ Then Jesus said to them, "Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶ a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.' ⁷ And suppose the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything.' ⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity^[e] he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

⁹ "So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

¹¹ "Which of you fathers, if your son asks for^[f] a fish, will give him a snake instead? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

SERMON

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*PURPLE HYMNAL #753 "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" 1. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

2. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness, ever joy.

3. O, Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

4. Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE OFFERING		
OFFERTORY	"Though I May Speak"	English Folk Melody
	Mary Temple, organ	arr. by Hal Hopson

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen. *PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*PURPLE HYMNAL #326

"For All the Saints" vss. 1,3,5

1. For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

3. O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle; they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia! 5. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia! Alleluia!

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC

Air from "Water Music" Mary Temple, organ by G.F. Handel arr. by Rick Parks

*Please stand, if you are able.

Thank you to today's Lay Reader, Penny Cameron; and our videographer Stephanie Gould.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

▶ There is no Sunday School this morning. Children may remain in worship.

► Celebrate the Fruits of the Spirit Day with us in worship on Sunday, August 21, and bring a fruit dish to share after worship.

► After worship, Gilead Bell Chimes rehearse today.

► Pastor Martin is in Geneva, NY this morning after presiding yesterday at the wedding of Elizabeth Ojeda and William Petito; and will be on vacation Thursday 28 thru Sunday, July 31 visiting family. Today we welcome Rev. Cliff Acklam from the Church of Scotland to our pulpit, and on the 31st worship will be led by Gilead Elder José Ojeda.

[†] We accept offerings through the "Online Giving" link on our website, www.gileadchurch.org, or mail checks made out to Gilead Presbyterian Church, 9 Church Street, Carmel, NY 10512. Or give elsewhere if you see a need. In doing so, we brighten the world, and brighten our hearts.

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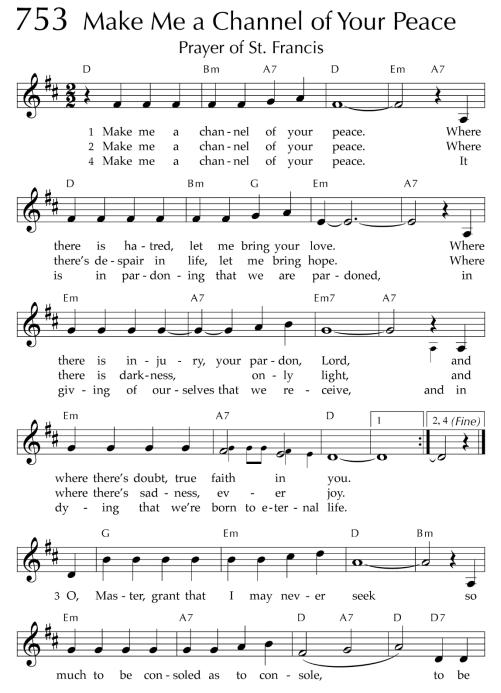


CREATION AND PROVIDENCE



*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22–23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.



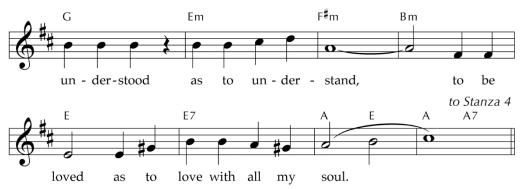
Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Though popular opinion credits this prayer to Francis of Assisi, the earliest known printing was in a French religious magazine in 1912. Yet that gentle saint's spirit seems evident in these words, a quality that has spurred many paraphrases and musical settings such as this one.

TEXT: Anon., c. 1912; adapt. Sebastian Temple, 1967 PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS MUSIC: Sebastian Temple, 1963; arr. Alfred V. Fedak, 2011 Text and Music @ 1967 OCP

Irregular

JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION





The broad and sweeping tune with which this hymn is so closely identified was created to be sung during a reverent but dramatic procession at the beginning of an All Saints' Day service, an enacted representation of the enduring "fellowship divine" celebrated by this text.

TEXT: William Walsham How, 1864 MUSIC: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906 SINE NOMINE 10.10.10 with alleluias