

UNIVERSITY



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

Sunday, February 9, 2020
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Sister Helen Prejean

“If God truly is love,
then the deeper I love,
the more I know God.
That’s one really good thing about the Christ-life:
It’s grounded in the love of flesh and blood people.”

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prière from Suite Gothique, Op. 25
(Prayer from Gothic Suite)

Léon Boëllmann
1862-1897

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Worship Register and pass it on to your neighbor.

*OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
**I say to the Lord, “You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from you.”**

You show me the path of life.
**In your presence there is fullness of joy;
In your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

*HYMN 645 “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above” *Mit Freuden Zart*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord of light, we confess our faulty past.

**We should listen for your Word,
but we shut our ears to your voice.**

**We should break every yoke,
but take more than we need, leaving some without enough.**

**Forgive us when we hide behind walls and fences,
turning away from those in need.**

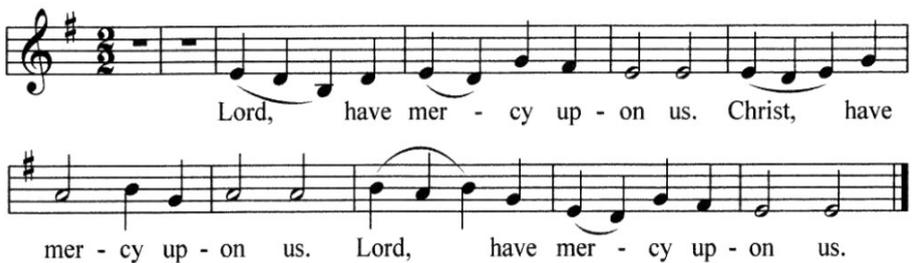
**Forgive us when we look only inward at ourselves,
ignoring the effects of our actions.**

Move us closer to your desired path.

Silence.

*Kyrie Eleison

Arr. David N. Johnson



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have
mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS

*THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*The congregation is invited to exchange the peace of Christ
with one another, greeting each other with the words above.*

*Response of Praise

(Hymnal, 750)

**Goodness is stronger than evil;
love is stronger than hate;
light is stronger than darkness;
life is stronger than death.
Victory is ours; victory is ours,
through God who loves us.
Victory is ours, victory is ours,
through God who loves us.**

THE WORD

ANTHEM

“Nets of Love”
Children’s Choir (11:00)

F. Thomas Simpson
b.1967

“Fisherman, fisherman, follow me.” Jesus called at Galilee.
“Leave the crayfish, carp, and cod. Simon Peter, serve your God.”
Nets of love must be woven, mended faithfully.
Nets of love bearing good news casted sea to sea.
Young and old, heed the call “follow me.”
True disciples you can be. Casting nets of love your goal,
Spreading the gospel and saving souls.
Nets of love must be woven, mended faithfully.
Nets of love bearing good news casted sea to sea. Follow me.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Children, three-years old through third-graders, are invited to come to the front of the Sanctuary for Time with Children. Children under three are invited to come forward with a parent.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 58: 3-9, 12 pp. 688-689
(Children’s Bible, pp. 852-853)

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON “Put Your Whole Self In”

Kim Rubish

Time is provided following the sermon for a few moments of personal reflection and prayer.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Belhar Confession

**We believe that the church is called blessed
because it is a peacemaker,
that the church is witness both by word and by deed
to the new heaven and the new earth
in which righteousness dwells.**

**God’s life-giving Word and Spirit
has conquered the powers of sin and death,
irreconciliation and hatred,
bitterness and enmity.**

**God’s life-giving Word and Spirit
will enable the church to live in new obedience
which can open new possibilities
of life for society and the world.**

THE THANKSGIVING

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Tocatta in E Minor (8:30)

Johann Pachelbel

1655-1706

Pilgrims' Hymn (11:00)

Stephen Paulus

1949-2014

Even before we call on Your name
To ask You, O God,
When we seek for the words to glorify You,
You hear our prayer;
Unceasing love, O unceasing love,
Surpassing all we know.

Glory to the Father,
And to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit.

Even with the darkness sealing us in,
We breathe Your name.
And through all the days that follow so fast,
We trust in You;
Endless Your grace, O endless Your grace,
Beyond all mortal dream.

Both now and for ever,
And unto ages and ages,
Amen.

~ Words, Michael Dennis Browne, b. 1940

*DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**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 and the power and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

THE SENDING

*HYMN 772

“Live into Hope”

Truro

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL AMEN (11:00)

Henry Balfour Gardiner
1877-1950

*ORGAN POSTLUDE

**You are invited to stand, as able.*

Welcome to the Fellowship of University Presbyterian Church

IN GRATEFUL RESPONSE to the grace of God, this community of Christ’s Church gathers regularly for worship, study and discernment, and then disperses to carry the love of Jesus Christ into the community and the world beyond these walls. We invite you to join us on the journey.

OUR WORSHIPING FAMILY OF FAITH INCLUDES CHILDREN of all ages. Sunday morning childcare is available during both worship services for infants, toddlers, and preschool children, who will be welcomed by our nursery staff. Infants are welcome in the Sanctuary; however, the parlor (located alongside the narthex) is a wonderful place for parents to calm an anxious baby. A special part of our service is the Time with Children, when they are invited to come to the front of the Sanctuary for a message that connects the worship of the day with their unique understanding. After the Time with Children, parents of those four years and younger are invited to take their children downstairs to the nurseries (through the door nearest the baptismal font). Nursery child check-in is downstairs in room 134. Please contact the Staff Associate for Children’s Ministries, Nancy Myer, at (919) 929-2102 or nancy@upcch.org if there is anything we can do to enhance the Sunday morning experience for your family.

DURING THE 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE, UPC offers Godly Play for kindergarteners and children who are age four (as of September 1). Godly Play is designed for worship education and faith formation and is a time of storytelling, wondering, and creative play. Following the Time with Children, kindergarteners and four-year-olds go with the Godly Play Assistant through the door to the left of the pulpit to the Godly Play room.

Worship Notes

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP TODAY: *Preacher:* Kim Rubish, Campus Ministry Intern. *Liturgists:* Jarrett McLaughlin, Co-Pastor, Kate Fiedler, Associate Pastor for Adult Ministries. *Choir Director and Organist:* Thomas Brown, Minister of Music. *Children’s Choir Director:* Kathleen Jasinkas.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY: **At 8:30:** *Greeters:* Cliff and Linda Butler. *Ushers:* Gus and Libby Conley (captains), Richard House and Frances McClure. **At 11:00:** *Greeters:* Jamie Bryan. *Ushers:* Lawrence Sizemore (captain), Bob Johnson, Deborah Jones, Tom Bouldin. *Godly Play Leaders:* Day McLaughlin, Sam Schilling. *Handicapped Parking Assistant:* Jesse Basnight, Jr.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED TODAY: Janet and Richard Andre, Laura and Shaun Horrigan (Ella and Patrick), Nora Holley and Mike MacMillan, Mary Kay and Joe Robinson, Luke Sine and Rachel Smith Sine, Janet and Rob Smith, Jessica and Jonathan Stewart (Gray and Sam), Sally and Willie Thompson.

THE WORSHIP BULLETIN, the weekly calendar, the announcements and UPC’s newsletter are posted on the church Website at www.upcch.org.

Announcements

To view this month's **calendar**, please visit: www.upcch.org/calendar.

Path of Peace! Join us for our 5th annual **Congregational Retreat** in Montreat September 11-13. Registration opens in 20 days on Leap Day. Find more info at www.upcch.org/retreat.

Second Sunday Lunch TODAY: Everyone is invited to join UPC's Second Sunday Lunch today in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 11:00 am service.

UPC's Vacation Bible School will take place June 29-July 2 at New Hope Camp & Conference Center, and our theme will be "Great Big Beautiful World." Online registration for volunteers, UPC member participants, and UPPS families will open on Sunday, February 16, and is available for rising 4-year-olds through 5th graders. (Note: This is a change from last year. Children must be 4 years old by 9/1/2020 in order to register.) See more details at upcch.org/vacation-bible-school. If you have questions, please contact Nancy Myer at nancy@upcch.org.

Auditions for Mark Burrows "In the Image" will take place today at a slightly extended Junior Choir Rehearsal (4:15-5:15). All Junior Choir members are encouraged to attend, as we will dive in by learning the closing number of the show as soon as we're done singing auditions in small groups!

Bible study: *Evil and the Justice of God*

Join the conversation about this book by N.T. Wright, one of the world's leading Biblical scholars. Facilitators: Robert Owen and Ed Preston, Location: Stephen Ministry Room

Connections: "Living into Our Earth Care Pledge"

Living Into Our Earth Care Pledge: Jay Leutze, "Standing Up for Land and Water Conservation" - Raised in Chapel Hill and trained as an attorney, Jay Leutze is a leading voice for state and federal conservation funding for investment in public lands. His book "Stand Up That Mountain" is the compelling, true story of a North Carolina outdoorsman who teams up with his Appalachian neighbors to save a treasured landscape from being destroyed. Facilitators: Ashley & John Wilson, Location: Vance Barron Hall

Crossroads class: *The Spirit of the Disciplines*. All are welcome to join the conversation about connecting our faith with our busy lives. This week, join the conversation about the third chapter of *The Spirit of the Disciplines*: Salvation is a Life.

Facilitators: John and Trina Rogers, Juli Kim and Reid Chisholm, Location: Dunham Hall

Faith and the Arts: *A Celestial Omnibus*. Come enjoy the engaging discussions with each short story. Luminous fiction on themes of faith and meaning from favorite writers. This week join the discussion about "The Cathedral" by Raymond Carver. Facilitator: Meg Peery McLaughlin, Location: Terrace Room

Compost Paper Towels and Compostable Cups in Any Bathroom!

Please throw used paper towels into a bathroom bin marked "Compost," not the trash can. Bathroom compost bins may now also be used to discard UPC's compostable, EcoChoice hot cups, white paper lids, and Bare cold cups. Of course, the most eco-friendly way to drink beverages is to bring your own, reusable mug, or use a mug near the coffee machine provided by UPC's Earth Care Team.

