

MORNING WORSHIP

August 6, 2017

Half past Ten O'Clock

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

*When the music begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation.
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision

INTROIT

Where Shall I Go From Your Spirit?

by Kenny Potter

Joe Anne Cole, soprano
Ed Thomas, baritone

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 142

Leader: With my voice I cry to the Lord

People: With my voice I make supplication to the Lord.

Leader: I pour out my complaint before God.

People: I tell my trouble before God.

Leader: When my spirit is faint, You know my way.

People: In the path where I walk, they have hidden a trap for me.

Leader: Look on my right hand and see—there is no one who takes notice of me;

People: No refuge remains to me; no one cares for me.

All: I cry to You, O Lord; I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living."

Leader: Give heed to my cry, for I am brought very low.

People: Save me from my persecutors, for they are too strong for me.

Leader: Bring me out of prison, so that I may give thanks to Your name.

People: The righteous will surround me, for You will deal bountifully with me.

+*HYMN 376

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Forgive us, O God, for not having faith that our lives can look differently, for not believing that You are intimately at work in our lives. Forgive us for becoming indifferent, for taking things into our own hands rather than working with You, or for manipulating others around us in order to serve ourselves. Give us the faith to believe that we can change, give us the courage to want to change, and then transform us into Your image. Amen.

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 8:1, 28, 38-39

Leader: Friends, Believe the Good News of the Gospel!

Congregation: In Jesus Christ we are Forgiven!

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn 322) Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, kindergarteners and first graders are invited to the Chapel.

They will return to the Sanctuary during the Doxology.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT

1 Corinthians 13:1-8, pew Bible, p. 1047

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 29-30 (selected verses), pew Bible, p. 25

SERMON

“Relationships: Ruts or Reimagined?”

Mary Bowman

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

My Good Lord’s Done Been Here
Ed Thomas, baritone

arr. by Moses Hogan

*DOXOLOGY (*Hymn 592*)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

O Lord, we recognize that the greatest gift is the gift of love. May our offerings help distribute this love to the world: both the small world we inhabit with the suffering people we know and the larger world where the power of love is sorely needed. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 535

Go with Us, Lord

TALLIS’ CANON

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

HALL

*POSTLUDE

How Beautiful

*Those who are able, please stand.

+Ushers may seat late worshippers

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate, or bring it after worship to one of the ministers.

Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) reaffirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved away for military service, education, or work, and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (you have recently moved to this area and your membership is still elsewhere, or you simply seek to become part of Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church in your faith journey).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Conversations, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn together about all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

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