



Camp Hill Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 17, 2022

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

9:30 a.m.



Devoted to Christ – Committed to Service

We at Camp Hill Presbyterian Church are devoted followers of Jesus Christ, committed to service in His name through worship, study, prayer, and praise; through mission to the world near and far; and through ministries of care and comfort to all.

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July 17, 2022, 9:30 a.m.

The Rev. Nancy A. Conklin, Pastor
Jerrold D. Tidwell, Director of Music & Organist

Why Do We Sing What We Sing?

The Reformation Era

At the center of the Reformation stood the question of how humanity is justified before God. Over against the notion that one could gain God's favor by performing good works, all the Reformers understood the biblical message that we are "justified by grace through faith." On this central tenet of our faith, all Reformers agreed. But beyond that, they disagreed on a number of things, music being one of them.

When the Reformers were forced out or broke off from the Roman Catholic Church, Martin Luther recovered congregational singing, Ulrich Zwingli denied it, and John Calvin restricted it. For Luther, "music is a unique gift of God in that it can carry the Word of God."

Zwingli believed "material things could not participate in the holy or convey grace." He professed that there are two kinds of worship. One was external in form, which he called the "clamor of men." The other form of worship was internal, as Jesus said, when we "worship in spirit and truth." For Zwingli, we are to adhere to the literal obedience of Jesus' command to "go into your room, shut the door, and pray to God in secret." He emphasized the need for silence — silence for hearing the Word of God. "The people must be educated in the Word of God so that neither vestments nor song have any part in the mass."

John Calvin was never a priest, nor ordained, but a lawyer who experienced a sudden conversion in an evangelical community in Basel, Switzerland. Music in that community consisted of singing the Psalms. Later in Geneva, he was exposed to hymn-singing. For Calvin, music in worship constitutes prayer. As he wrote, "There are two kinds of prayer; one with word alone and the other with singing." Singing, for him, is "one of the three fundamental expressions of Christian worship" (the other two are preaching and the administration of the Sacraments). Yet, not all music is fit for worship. "Only songs that are honest but also holy will be like spurs to incite us to pray to and praise God and to meditate upon His works in order love, fear, honor, and glorify him." Which songs did he consider holy? The Psalms alone. Music in church "must not be light or frivolous, but weighty and majestic," so only metrical singing of Psalms in unison were permitted. There were to be no instruments and no choirs unless it was a group of children leading the congregational singing.

JOHN CALVIN'S LITURGY (GENEVA 1545)

Prelude

Liebster Jesu, BWV 633

J.S. Bach

Welcome (Psalm 121:2)

Our Help is in the Name of the Lord, Maker of heaven and earth.

*Hymn 624

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

(c. 1545)

(Verses 1-4)

*Call to Confession

L: Make confession to God the Lord, and let each one acknowledge with me their sins and iniquity:

P: **Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge that we, alas, were conceived and born in sin, and are therefore inclined to all evil and slow to all good; that we transgress thy holy commandments without ceasing, and ever more corrupt ourselves. But we are sorry for the same, and beseech Thy grace and help. Wherefore have mercy upon us, most gracious and merciful God and Father, through Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant to us and increase in us Thy Holy Spirit, that we may recognize our sin and unrighteousness from the bottom of our hearts, attain true repentance and sorrow for them, die to them wholly, and please thee entirely by a new godly life. Amen.**

*Absolution (1 Timothy 1)

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus is come into the world to save sinners. Let each make confession in his heart with St. Paul in truth and believe in Christ. So, in His Name do I pronounce forgiveness unto you of all your sins, and I declare you to be loosed of them in earth so that ye may be loosed of them also in heaven and in all eternity. Amen.

*Sung Response

I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art

(John Calvin, 1545)

(Verse 5)

*Our hope is in no other save in thee;
Our faith is built upon thy promise free;
Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,
That in thy strength we evermore endure.*

**Those who are able are asked to please stand.*

Reading of the Law

L: Our Lord Jesus said:

P: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.

L: This is the greatest and first commandment and a second is like it:

P: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

L: On these two commandments hang all the law and prophets.

Prayer for Illumination

The Lord be with you. Let us pray.

Almighty, ever gracious Father, forasmuch as all our salvation depends upon our having truly understood Thy holy Word: therefore, grant us that our hearts be set free from worldly things, so that we may with all diligence and faith hear and apprehend Thy holy Word, that thereby we may rightly understand Thy gracious will, and in all sincerity live according to the same, to Thy praise and glory; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Scripture Reading (NT, p. 152)

Romans 1:1-17

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!

Special Music

If With All Your Hearts

Felix Mendelssohn

Dave Getz, clarinet

Sermon

“Grace Abounds”

The Rev. Nancy Conklin

*Hymn 275 (Psalm 46)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

(Martin Luther, 1529)

Offering

Note: Collection of the offering was not an element of worship until 1788, when the Westminster Directory of Public Worship (1645) was revised by the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. Previously, the offering was made outside of the worship service, on the Lord's Day, in a collection box.

Offertory

Panis Angelicus

Cesar Franck

Dave Getz, clarinet

*Doxology (Tune: "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.*

*Prayer of Dedication

O God, out of the abundance of your grace, we offer to you these tokens of our gratitude, and with them a willing spirit to be your instruments of grace in the lives of those in need; through Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn 545 *Song of Simeon (Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace)*

*Benediction

The Lord bless you, and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance and give you peace. Amen.

*Postlude

A Might Fortress

Johann Walther

Welcomers:

Ann & Roger Hummel, Dave & Judy Thompson

Fellowship:

Peggy Heiss

Livestream/Recording:

Jeff Heiss

Lyrics/Scripture Overlays:

Dale Meadowcroft

Audio:

Bud Swartz

Chancel Flowers:

Carol Jamieson has presented the flowers this morning in memory of her mother, Dorothy.

Attendance for Sunday, July 10: 84

Next Sunday, July 24, at 9:30 a.m.: Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

Camp Hill Presbyterian Church Session

May 1, 2022–April 30, 2023

*(Names in **bold** denote Elders serving a second term.)*

Moderator: The Rev. Nancy A. Conklin

Clerk of Session: Beth Fine

Church Treasurer: David Watts

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Dolores Peffley
Rob Shaw
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Ministry/Commission Chairpersons

Fellowship and Membership Ministry – Monica Zazworsky

Worship and Fine Arts Ministry – Dolores Peffley

Christian Education and Nurture Ministry – Karen Taylor and Jeff Thompson

Mission Outreach Ministry – Rob Shaw

Church Administration Ministry – Bill Stout

Staff Commission – John Robinson

Nominating Committee – Liesl Beckley and Sharon Fenicle

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Property and Maintenance Commission – Carol Helsel, Bryan Kostukovich, Bruce Williamson

Communications Task Force – Jeff Heiss

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THIS WEEK AT CAMP HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Monday, July 18

1 p.m. – Quilters & Crafters for Mission; Q&C Room

Tuesday, July 19

11 a.m. – Staff Meeting, Pastor's Study

6 p.m. – West Shore A.A. Big Book Study; Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, July 20

9:30 a.m. – Prayer Fellowship; Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. – Preschool Wednesday Playgroup; Kuhn Education Wing

Sunday, July 24

9:30 a.m. – Worship Service; Sanctuary and via Livestream

10:45 a.m. – Fellowship; Gathering Place

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Visitation Pastor – The Rev. Donald E. Potter

Director of Music/Organist – Jerrold D. Tidwell

Office Manager – Andrea A. Ebeling

Preschool Director – Dana B. Tarnoci

Custodians – Kem Bonner, Frank Smith

Organist/Choirmaster Emeritus – David H. Binkley II

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