

September 13, 2020
15th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

Dr. Brenda Clark

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Robert Hebble

WELCOME

Rev. Rachel Vione

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

from Psalm 103:1-5

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God’s holy name.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and do not forget all God’s benefits —**

who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

**who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.

Let us worship the Lord our God!

*HYMN NO. 620

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

LAUDA ANIMA

1. Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven;
To His feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore His praises sing:
Praise Him, praise Him, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.
2. Praise Him for His grace and favor
To our fathers in distress;
Praise Him still the same as ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise Him, praise Him, alleluia!
Glorious in His faithfulness.

3. Fatherlike He tends and spares us,
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise Him, praise Him, alleluia!
Widely yet His mercy flows.
4. Angels, help us to adore Him,
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him;
Dwellers all in time and space,
Praise Him, praise Him, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all times and all places, you declare: Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. You instruct us to forgive seventy-seven times, to remember God's grace toward us and extend it to one another. Despite your clear word to refrain from judging others, we pronounce others guilty and unworthy of our compassion. We quarrel over opinions and sow division when you call us to cultivate relationships and demonstrate our unity in Christ. Instead of responding to your grace with gratitude, we attempt to limit the love you command us to share. Forgive our hard-heartedness. Expand our circles of concern. Enliven our communities with your boundary- breaking, reconciling Spirit.

Silent prayers of confession

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SCRIPTURE LESSON Exodus 17:8-13

⁸Then Amalek came and fought with Israel at Rephidim. ⁹Moses said to Joshua, "Choose some men for us and go out, fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand." ¹⁰So Joshua did as Moses told him, and fought with Amalek, while Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. ¹¹Whenever Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed; and whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed. ¹²But Moses' hands grew weary; so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. Aaron and Hur held up his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side; so his hands were steady until the sun set. ¹³And Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the sword

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION

"Who Is Your Amalek?"

Rev. Rachel Vione

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ANTHEM

"Gentle Touch of Your Love"

Gerry Limpic
Dana Warren: Piano & Vocals

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*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.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

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 and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Postlude in D"

Charles Vincent

Thank you to Joe & Nancy Winkler, and Kevin McKerr for making this online worship service possible.

Please pray for members and friends of our congregation

For those who are suffering as a result of the fires burning in the West, all those who are suffering as a result of the coronavirus, essential employees who go to work so we can be safe and healthy, those who are persecuted for their faith, those who protest peacefully, Howard Heckman Jr. (Diane Lobaugh's cousin), Justin Schottler (Marlena Dentrone's cousin's son), Chris Landi (Kathy Landi's son), Alex Martin (Mary Blondrage's nephew), Paul Schrader, Betsy Staulcup (David Dickman's cousin), Donald Sheetz (Bob Van Deusen's cousin), Rusty Feld (Leah Fink's nephew), Justin Yoskowitz, the Pastor Nominating Committee, Aaron Thomas, Bob White, Brian Brewer (Faustine White's son), Charlene Cosman,

the family of: Wayne Kaifler (Barbara Kaifler's brother-in-law), those in Healthcare facilities- Atria: Ann Deery, our partner congregations: Nueva Paz, Cuba and Iglesia Evangelica Presbiteriana Nueva Vida, Malverne; the Presbytery of Long Island and its staff; the Synod of the Northeast, the Presbyterian Church (USA), its Louisville staff, its missionaries worldwide.