

June 26, 2022 ~ 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements ~ Jan Lapenta, liturgist

Prelude ~ Committed

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: If today we hear God's voice in our hearts, we must follow it.

People: If today we hear God's voice in our hearts, we must follow it.

Leader: Come, let us bow down our heads and pray to God. Let us kneel before the God who made us. He is our God. We are his people. He loves us.

People: If today we hear God's voice in our hearts, we must follow it.

**you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

**Hymn #69 ~ "Here I Am, Lord"*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Lord, you come to us, but we do not recognize you; you call, but we do not follow; you command, but we do not obey, you bless us, but we do not thank you. Please forgive and help us. Move among us so that we would faithfully answer when you call, trusting in your guidance and love. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer).

Responsive Chorus #611 ~ *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"*(v. 1)

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!

Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.

Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus ~ *"I Love This Family"* (arr. C. Bowes)

I love this family of God, so closely knitted into one,

They've taken me into their midst and I'm so glad to be a part of this great family.

Offering Prayer

**Doxology ~ "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* (Avery & Marsh)

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. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Joshua 1:6-9

Special Music ~ *"How Great is the Lord"* (P. Chapin) ~ Celebration Choir and Committed

Christian Scripture ~ Matthew 4:18-20

Message ~ "Follow" ~ The Rev. Isaac Chung, guest

*Hymn #269 ~ *"Lead On, O King Eternal!"*

A time for sharing the joys and concerns of our community

Prayer Preparation ~ *"Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"*
Hear our prayer. O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord;
Incline Thine ear to us, And grant us Thy peace. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer ~ *in unison*

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.

*Hymn #697 ~ *"Take My Life"*

*Benediction

*Response #740 ~ *"Lead Me, Guide Me"*

Lead me, guide me, along the way, for if you lead me, I cannot stray.

Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

I am weak and I need your strength and power to help me over my weakest hour.

Help me through the darkness your face to see. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Lead me, guide me, along the way, for if you lead me, I cannot stray.

Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Postlude ~ *"God With Us"* (J. Rouse) ~ Celebration Choir

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Highlights from the June 21 Session Meeting:

- 1 - Reception of new members will be July 10th with a coffee hour reception following
- 2 - The combined outdoor service with Rosedale Gardens, St Timothy, Garden City and St. Paul's will be August 14th at Mies Park. No service at St. Paul's on August 14.
- 3 - The outdoor service at St. Paul's will be September 18, 2022, rescheduled from July 10, 2022.

Vacation Bible School 2022 “Put on the Armor of God!”

Begins tomorrow, Monday, June 27 from 9:00AM until noon and continues daily through Thursday, June 30!

VBS 2022 Mission Project: Homework House: **HOMEWORK HOUSE** in Highland Park has been selected as our **VBS Mission Project** for 2022! As always, we invite you, the congregation of St. Paul’s to join in! Homework House is a part of Avalon Village. “The Avalon Village is a sustainable eco-village being built in Highland Park, MI (inside the city of Detroit). We are transforming one of the city’s most blighted blocks into a safe, functional, and beautiful space for the entire community.” The Homework House is a safe space in a renovated home that provides space for children and youth to study, complete homework, and receive healthy meals. **We will be collecting specific items listed below to help provide healthy options for the children**
Homework House serves:

Chewy Granola, Breakfast, and Nutrition Bars (No hard, crunchy bars!)

(Nut-free not required, but helpful for any children with nut allergies)

Juicy Juice or 100% Juice Individual Juice Boxes or Pouches

Boxes of Individual Oatmeal Packets

Collection is in the church lobby **and will run through next Sunday, July 3rd!!**

For more information on Homework House, check out this link: <http://theavalonvillage.org/about/>



Grace Erwin, August Kornowicz, Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton
Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Jerry Stone
Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips
Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff
Ray & Mary Clark ~ neighbors of Don & Meta Tulley
Sarah & Mason Young ~ family of Judy McGregor
Mark Feely, Phil Decker, & Vickie McVeigh ~ friends of Judy McGregor
Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August & Faith Kornowicz
Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie Whitlock
Rosemary Iaquina ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen
Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham; Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck
Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit
Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright
Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham
Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour
David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook
Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips; Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis

Please review the prayer list and report any changes to the office as soon as possible.

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I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Here I Am, Lord

G Am D G C G D
Leader or All

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

G Em C Am7 D G

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est

Am D G C G D

made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

G Em C Am7 C/G D D7

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain All G C G D G C G D G

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

Am7 G Am7 D G C G C

call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

G C G D G Am7 D7 G Am7 G

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

269 Lead On, O King Eternal!

1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
 2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
 3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,

hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents shall be our home.
 and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
 for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears;

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong,
 for not with swords' loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums;
 your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light.

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
 with deeds of love and mer - cy the heaven-ly king-dom comes.
 The crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Not everything that looks like a battle ends up being one. This text, written for a seminary graduation, works well with its martial tune in the first stanza; but later stanzas turn from such imagery and focus on "deeds of love and mercy" and courage for life's journey.

Take My Life

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1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with - hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as

cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.