

August 22, 2021 ~13th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude ~ *"Fairest Lord Jesus"* (arr. Ray) ~ Leigh Emmett

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: Let us celebrate the love and care God has given us.

People: Praise to the Lord who through Jesus has brought us back into relationship with God. Amen.

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

**Hymn #20 ~ "All Things Bright and Beautiful"*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Holy God, you have cared for us all our days and sheltered us from evil and harm. We thank you for that Lord, yet we confess that we have strayed from your guidance. Too often, Lord, we have sought to handle the difficulties and dangers of our lives alone. Where you have offered your gifts we have instead turned to sin and selfishness. Forgive us Lord. Renew us in your love and encourage us to faithfully follow where you lead in our lives. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #743 ~ *"O God, You Are My God"*

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

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I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways.

And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

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

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Joshua 24:1-2, 14-18

Special Music ~ *“Be Still and Know; Be Still, My Soul”* (arr. Hayes) ~ Leigh Emmett

Christian Scripture ~ Ephesians 6:10-20

Message ~ *“Suit Up”*

*Hymn #630 ~ *“Fairest Lord Jesus”*

Community at Prayer

Prayer Preparation ~ *“Meet Me Here”*

Meet me here. Find me in my wanderings.

Meet me here. Deep within my soul.

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 #39 ~ *“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*

*Benediction

*Choral Response #616 ~ *“Our God Is an Awesome God”*

*Our God is an awesome God who reigns from heaven above
with wisdom, power, and love; our God is an awesome God!*

Postlude ~ *“All Things Bright and Beautiful”* (arr. Hayes)

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Highlights from the August 17 Council meeting:

- 1- Pastor Nate will be taking vacation beginning the week of August 29th. Rev. Bob Seymour will be preaching that Sunday.
- 2- We have hired an arborist who will be cleaning up around the church. Please feel free to donate to the cause.
- 3- We will be looking for a Director of Music. Thank you, Jeff Velis, for a job well done.

- 4- Fall Fest will be October 23rd.
- 5- There will be a Coffee Hour Sunday, September 12th.

From Pam Phillips... "Can you help greet shoppers? The dress room is open and doing great. Shoppers are only one to three at a time and by appointment only. I would make appointments to meet your schedule. Just need a couple of hours whenever you can. Let me know if you can help. Thank you! Pam - 734-634-2445 pamphillip@sbcglobal.net Also, we need long dry cleaner bags."

From Ben Bonandrini..."WANTED!! Bowlers are needed for the St. Paul's bowling league. Participation is open to all congregation members and their family and friends. The primary purpose is for fellowship and fun. Bowling talent and skill is optional. You only need to be able to roll a bowling ball to be a welcome member of a team. We bowl on Monday evenings at Oak lanes. If you are interested or need additional information, please contact me on (313) 702-1146 or by email at bbonandrini@yahoo.com."



Gail Artinian, Ron Frank, Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton
 Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Nola Bonandrini, Nancy Saunders
 Jerry Stone, Beverly Dearth, Anita Falk, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant
 Bruce Phillips, Patricia Hutchison, Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff
 Finley Farquhar ~ granddaughter of Eric; Rosemary Iaquina ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel
 The Dylegowski Family ~ friends of Jan Burgess
 Mark Feely ~ friend of Judy McGregor; 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 Janet
 Diane Calloway & Tony S. ~ cousins of Gail Artinian; MaryAnn Tabaka ~ mother of Suzanne
 Eric Tabaka ~ nephew of Suzanne; Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour
 David Bonandrini ~ son of Nola & Ben; Zoe Marcus ~ friend of Karen Erwin
 Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook; Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips
 Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo; Leslie Benoit ~ daughter of the late Tamar and Jim Duthie
 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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Fairest Lord Jesus

1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair - er still the
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Rul - er of the

na - ture, O thou of God to earth come
 wood - lands, robed in the bloom - ing garb of
 moon - light, and all the twink - ling, star - ry
 na - tions, Son of God and Son of

down, thee will I cher - ish, thee will I
 spring. Je - sus is fair - er; Je - sus is
 host. Je - sus shines bright - er; Je - sus shines
 Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o -

hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
 pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
 pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.
 ra - tion, now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Franz Liszt used this melody for a "Crusaders' March" in an oratorio, but this hymn had nothing to do with the Crusades. No record of the German text exists before the middle of the 17th century or of the Silesian folk melody before the first half of the 19th century.

39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,



Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:



As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22–23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
 날 마 다 자 비 를 베풀 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
 일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주