

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

**Sunday, June 14, 2020**

**GATHERING**

**PRESERVICE MUSIC SET**

*“Face to Face”*

*“Here I Am, Lord”*

*“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”*

*“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”*

*“I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”*

*“Fill My Cup, Lord”*

*“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHIMES**

**PRELUDE**

*“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”* (Scott)

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 116:12-19

What shall I return to the Lord  
for all his bounty to me?

**I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the Lord,  
I will pay my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people.**

Precious in the sight of the Lord  
is the death of his faithful ones.

**O Lord, I am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your serving-maid.**  
You have loosed my bonds.

I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice  
and call on the name of the Lord.

**I will pay my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people,  
in the courts of the house of the Lord,  
in your midst, O Jerusalem.**

**Praise the Lord!**

**\*OPENING HYMN #612**

*"We Praise You, O God"* (Gedenck-Clanck)

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Vigilant God, your Beloved Son sent his disciples into the world, the laborers into the harvest, warning them that they would sometimes be rejected, even abused and imprisoned and tortured. How foolish we are to think that the call to discipleship today promises anything different. Forgive us, we ask, for choosing the easy path.**

**Transform us through the working of your Holy Spirit to be willing to suffer difficult labor, threatening situations, contempt, and abuse for the sake of the One who gave and gives us life abundant and eternal. We pray in his name. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

**THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES**

Genesis 18:1-15

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS**

Romans 5:1-8

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**DUET**

Dr. Sara Montgomery & Carola Spreacker

**\*READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Matthew 9:35-10:23

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**A TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

**SERMON**

“Laborers in the Harvest”

**\*HYMN #443**

“*There is a Redeemer*” (Green)

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

From *The Theological Declaration of Barmen* (1933)

**As Jesus Christ is God’s assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same seriousness is he also God’s mighty claim upon our whole life. Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetters of this world for a free, grateful service to his creatures.**

**We reject the false doctrine, as though there were areas of our life in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ, but to other lords—areas in which we would not need justification and sanctification through him.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**OFFERING TO GOD OUR TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE**

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

“*O Jesus, I Have Promised*” (Warriner)

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

**Compassionate God, you have justified and reconciled us to yourself through our Lord, Jesus Christ, who gave his life for us on the cross and was raised for us from the grave.**

**Therefore,**

**We boast in our sufferings,**

**knowing that suffering produces endurance,**

**And endurance produces character,**

**And character produces hope,**

**And hope does not disappoint us,**

**Because your love has been poured into our hearts**

**through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.**

**Through that same Holy Spirit, strengthen us for the joy and hardship of discipleship under your living Son. Amen.**

## OUR LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,  
holy is your name;  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## SENDING

**\*CLOSING HYMN #744**

*"Arise, Your Light Is Come!"* (Walter)

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*"Standing on the Promises"*

*"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"*

\*Please stand if you are able where asterisks are printed.

Words in **bold print** are spoken by the congregation.