ST. PAUL & ST. ANDREW

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Join us as we build a community of radical welcome that follows Jesus into the streets of the city to increase the amount of love and justice in the world.

K Karpen & Lea Matthews Pastors

Sixth Sunday of Pentecost

Holy Communion

July 2, 2023 at 10 am





Sunday, July 2, 2023 ♦ Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

♦ Please rise in body or spirit

Prelude Frank Glass

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Augustus Toplady (1776), Thomas Hastings (1830); arr. Frank Glass (2021)

Introit We Walk By Faith (pg. 5, v. 1)

Call to Worship♦ Shirley Struchen

One: When the way is difficult and dangerous **Many: let us choose what is good and just.**

One: When evil comes to break us down and break us apart,

Many: let us choose to carry on with each other.

One: When power from on high strikes fear in our hearts,

Many: let us choose the courage to persist.

One: For we know that the love and power of God, which abides in us, will

not be overcome.

All: Come, let us worship in spirit and in truth!

Opening Hymn 396♦ **O Jesus, I Have Promised** (pg. 5, v. 1, 3)

Opening Prayer Alicia Miller Pitterson

Prayer Song We Walk By Faith (pg. 5, v. 2)

Scripture Ekama Eni

Genesis 22:1-14

Scripture Song 396♦ O Jesus, I Have Promised (pg. 5, v. 4)

Nancy Meyers

Sermon Rev. Dr. J. Terry Todd

"Unbinding the Children and the Rest of Us, Too"

Sermon Song We Walk By Faith (pg. 5, v. 3)

Welcome of Visitors,

Love in Action

Passing of the Peace The Congregation

Please greet those around you with a word of peace

Peace Song Santo, Santo, Santo

Santo, santo, santo. Mi corazón te adora mi corazón te sabe decir: Santo eres, mi dios

Or text "Give" to 646-971-9400

Holy, holy, holy; my heart, my heart adores you My heart can only say to you: holy are you, Lord

Offering Of tithes, gifts, and prayers (pg. 5, 8)

Offertory Chancel Choir

Near To the Heart of God

Cleland McAfee (1907); arr. Frank Glass (2016)

The Great J. Terry Todd, Lea Matthews

Thanksgiving♦ Please turn to page 6 for the Communion Liturgy

Prayer After Dr. Rev. J. Terry Todd (and said in unison)

Receiving One: Let us pray together

All: Beloved One, if we grow weary in love, may this meal live on as a reminder of what sustains us. In seeking the flourishing you intend for us, our neighbors, and this planet, keep our hearts tender, our spirits alive, and our senses attuned to the beauty that surrounds. With gratitude for

your abiding presence, we pray. Amen.

Closing Hymn 371♦ I Stand Amazed In the Presence (pg. 6)

Benediction ♦ Frank Glass

Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

Postlude Julia Johnston (1911) and Daniel Towner (1910)

Livestream Brent Ness (director) **Red Gate Sound** (cameras)

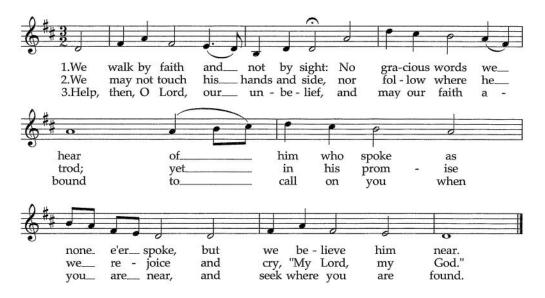
Audio Steven Yee

Greeters Shirley Struchen
Counters Connie Coddington
Childcare Al-Naima Finch

Childcare (ages 1-3) is available in the Chapel.

The Call to Worship, the Great Thanksgiving, and the Prayer After Receiving are adapted from enfleshed: spiritual nourishment for collective liberation

We Walk by Faith

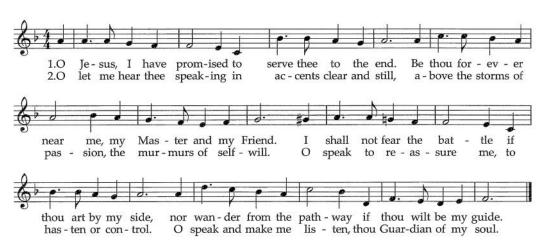


Henry Alford, 1844

Samuel McFarlane, c. 1815 Harmonized by Richard Proulx, 1986

O Jesus, I Have Promised

Words: John Bode, 1866 Music: Arthur Mann, 1881



3. O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee That where thou art in glory, there shall thy servant be. And Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end. O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

Scripture Reading: Genesis 22: 1-14

1 Some time later God tested Abraham. Yahweh said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied.

2 Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you."

3 Early the next morning Abraham got up and loaded his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. 4 On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. 5 He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you."

6 Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them went on together, 7 Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, "Father?"

"Yes, my son?" Abraham replied.

"The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

8 Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together.

9 When they reached the place God had told him about, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. 10 Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. 11 But God's messenger called out to him from heaven. "Abraham! Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

12 "Do not lay a hand on the boy," they said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son."

13 Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son. 14 So Abraham called that place God Will Provide. And to this day it is said, "On the mountain of Yahweh it will be provided."



Getting Connected & Share Your Prayers

We are thrilled you are here this morning, and we hope you will like to get connected with our community. To join us in the work of increasing justice and love in the world, use your smartphone's camera to Scan this QR code or pick up a Connection Card available at the Welcome Tables. Our church community also uses this digital or physical card to share joys and concerns. Each week, our staff prays for our community and invites prayers from all. If you do not wish for your prayer to shared with the church community, please indicate your desire with your prayer.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Holy One be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to God.** Let us give thanks to God, in whose image we are made. **To the Creator of all, we give thanks and praise.**

[...] And so we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all your people in heaven and on earth, praising you and saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy One God of justice and love Heaven and earth are full of your wonder Hosanna in the highest!

[...] With hope and assurance, we turn to the witness of Jesus whose teachings reveal the way to liberation.

We seek his wisdom. We practice his courage. We remember his commitment to love.

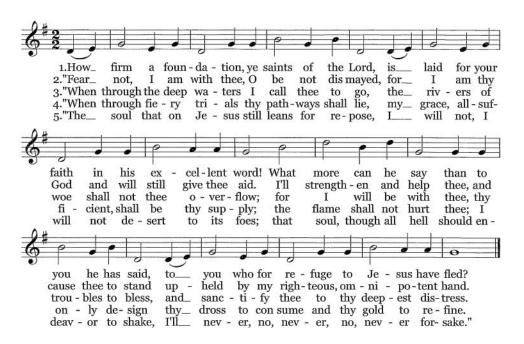
[...] So, in remembrance of the love that saves us, we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ was birthed among us. Christ was executed among us Christ rises again among us.

[...] And so in the words Jesus taught us to pray:

Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kin-dom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

How Firm a Foundation



Sunday Worship



Queer Liberation March



Who's Who

Pastors

Rev. Dr. K Karpen‡ Rev. Lea Matthews* Rev. Dr. J. Terry Todd *§

Director of OperationsBrent Ness*

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Danny Aponte*

Minister of Music

Dr. Frank Glass*

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Ekama Eni*

Bookkeeper

Jennifer Serrano*

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Putting Love in Action

Summer Sundays Beginning July 2 and continuing through Labor Day, our Sunday morning worship time will shift to 10:00am.

Worship in the Park Join us next Sunday at 10am at Riverside Park for worship outdoors. Enter the park at W 89th & Riverside Drive and follow the path down to the north side of the Soldiers and Sailors monument.

Summer Bible Study e are excited to launch a 4 week small group study this summer, beginning the second week of July. Visit loveinaction.churchcenter.com and click Groups to select a study group.

Now in the West End Theatre The Girl You Talk To is Alyssa May Gold's pitch for the possibility that Jesus was in fact a woman, via her own personal account of being told she was running out of time to have children, her semi-working knowledge of Roman Catholicism from 17 years of Sunday school, and some... extensive late night googling. July 2-9 Tickets on Eventbrite, use

the code SPSAfriends for \$10 seats.

Ongoing Programs and Projects

Assisting Our New Neighbors Sign up to help with daily needs, especially providing meals and Monday morning distribution efforts via Lotsa Helping Hands (bit.ly/3pOyr2l). Starting in June, our Monday Resource Fair will have a weekly focus. Our clothing store will be once per month, with clothing donations accepted one Sunday a month (July 16, Aug 20). No Resource Day on July 3

Pajama Prayers our Tuesday morning gathering on Zoom for communal prayer at 7:30am. Come as you are with whatever is on your heart. Meeting ID: 831 7700 2923 Phone: 646-931-3860 No PJ Prayers on July 4

Pilates with Nancy an hour-long strengthening and stretching class on Zoom on Thursdays at 6pm. Email Brent* for details. No session on July 6

Mark Your Calendars for Summer Fun

July 9 (Su) - 10:00am Outdoor worship at Soldiers & Sailors Monument

July 18 (Tu) - 7:30pm Metropolitan Horn Authority Concert July 19 (W) - 8:30pm Outdoor Movie (Luca) at Pier I (seating opens at 6:30pm)

July 30 (Su) - 11:00am Courtyard Cookout after worship

Aug 2 (W) - 7:00pm Hymn Sing!

Aug 13 (Su) - 10:00am Outdoor Worship at Soldiers & Sailors Monument

Aug 16 (W) - 6:30pm Church-Wide Fun: Minute to Win It

Aug 20 (Su) - 11:00am Courtyard cookout after worship

Gifts & Offerings

Your Gifts make church happen! If you would like to make a contribution, visit stpaulandstandrew.org/give, scan the QR code, or text "Give" to 646-971-9400. Gifts can also be dropped into the donation boxes at the Welcome Tables.

