

Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 19, 2022

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PREWORSHIP MUSIC & PRELUDE
GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on 2 Corinthians 12:9 and Psalm 30:5)

Pastor: Who will save us from the ways of death?

All: *Jesus Christ our Lord; thanks be to God!*

Pastor: God's grace is sufficient for us.

All: *In Christ, the weak are made strong.*

Pastor: Weeping may linger for the night,

All: *But joy comes with the morning;
for God is our refuge and mighty fortress.*

HYMN

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*¹

Hymnal, #281

CONFESSION (Based on John 3:16, 17)²

Pastor: For God so loved the world, that God gave God's only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him.

All: *Dear Lord, this world is so broken. The earth cries out in pain, and so do our own hearts. Out of the depths we cry to you. We recognize that, we each, bring our own mistakes, our own selfishness, and our own sin to add to the seemingly unbearable pain of the world. Oh Lord, hear our voices. May your ears be attentive to our cry for mercy – for ourselves and for the world. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Heidelberg Catechism, Question and Answer #1)

Pastor: We have confessed our sin and now receive the assurance of God's pardon, using the Heidelberg Catechism. So, I ask: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: *I am not my own, but belong— body and soul, in life and in death—
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.*

*He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.*

*He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven;*

in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

*Because I belong to him,
Christ, by his Holy Spirit,
assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly, willing and ready,
from now on to live for him.*

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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² Prayer of Confession for Sunday, June 5, 2022. <https://www.mdpc.org/media/prayers-of-confession/>

A SPECIAL TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN & YOUTH

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Job 1:1-22

EPISTLE READING – 2 Corinthians 12:7b-10

GOSPEL READING – Mark 4:35-41

SERMON & PASTORAL PRAYER

A Rearview Mirror Perspective

Rev. Laura C. Baker

THE LORD’S PRAYER

All: 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

I’ll Fly Away (Brumley)

OFFERTORY INVITATION

Liturgist: Sisters and brothers, sharing ourselves and our resources is an essential part of being a disciple of Jesus. When we each give according to our abilities, our faith is deepened, and the mission and ministry of Jesus flourishes and bears abundant fruit. Your gifts, offered through this church, really do make a difference! As you give and share, trust and affirm the promise of Psalm 30:5, which reads, “weeping may last for the night. but rejoicing comes in the morning.” Let us dedicate our generous offerings with the prayer, printed in our bulletins.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Generous God, we offer these gifts and all we do so that we can be a part of your promise. We humbly give them in order to bring joy, hope, and life for others, and through our giving, for ourselves. Thank you for this privilege. In Christ’s name. Amen.

HYMN

*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms³
(What a Covenant)*

BENEDICTION⁴

Pastor: Go with a tender and joyful heart,
remembering that you may be the only Gospel
that your neighbor “reads” this week.
So, in all you say and do,
spread the grace of God,
the love of Jesus,
and the friendship of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

POSTLUDE

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⁴ COCU Resources: Blessings and Benedictions. <https://pilgrimwr.unitingchurch.org.au/?p=256>. 09 June 2022.