

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MORNING WORSHIP
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2020

Half past Ten O'Clock

WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"
Ivey Cherry, baritone

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 145:1-8

Leader: Come, let's praise God together!

People: For God is great, and worthy of our praise!

Leader: Let's tell stories of God's power and majesty,
His mighty acts throughout history:

People: for God is great, and worthy of our praise!

Leader: Let's remember the compassion He has shown toward us;
His mercy and unfailing love, generation after generation:

People: for God is great, and worthy of our praise!

Leader: Let's pass these stories along to our children and grandchildren, so that they,
too, may come to know and love our God.

People: For God is great, and worthy of our praise!

Leader: Let's worship God together!

HYMN

"The Church's One Foundation"
Ivey Cherry, baritone

AURELIA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Psalm 51

People: Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning.

Give attention to the sound of my cry, my Lord and my God, to You I pray.

Leader: Holy Fountain of Grace,
May we be like the people of Nineveh,
Give us the courage to acknowledge our vulnerability.
May Your shining light reveal our sin,
and open our eyes to Your healing presence.
Though You stand ready to forgive,
we bite our tongues, clench our fists,
and cling to bitterness, hurt, and resentment.

People: Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning.

Give attention to the sound of my cry, my Lord and my God, to You I pray.

Leader: We trust You, Holy One;
we pour out our hearts to You.
Receive the pain that lurks in our humanity,
as we expose all we've kept hidden
from ourselves and from the world—
those thoughts and feelings, words and deeds
that keep us separated from Your love.

Leader: Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning.

Give attention to the sound of my cry, my Lord and my God, to you I pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

2 Corinthians 5:17-18

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, with whom we are reconciled through Christ.

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

Congregation: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jonah, selected verses

SERMON

“Prayers from the Belly of Despair“

Lori Raible

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle’s Creed

Leader: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

**People: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**People: I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Leader: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**People: I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

TITHES AND OFFERING

Text to Give

704-734-9818

ANTHEM

“Here I Am, Lord”
Ivey Cherry, baritone

SCHUTTE

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Adapted from John O’Donohue

And now God, we follow where Christ calls us. We proclaim the message Christ gives us. We wait in hope for the inbreaking of Your Kingdom. While we partake in the business of this world, we invest our lives according to the promises of Your abundant Grace. May You magnify these offerings of our time, talent, and treasure for Your Glory.

BENEDICTION

And may God be your haven and your glory;
May Christ Jesus give you courage for His mission;
And may the Spirit embrace your soul in God’s silence.