

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MORNING WORSHIP Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 2020

Half past Ten O'Clock

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND NOTICES

INTROIT

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"
Ivey Cherry, baritone

CWM RHONDDA

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 25:1-5

Leader: To You, O Lord, we lift up our souls.

God, in You we trust; make Your ways known to us, Lord.

People: Teach us Your paths.

Leader: Lead us in Your truth.

People: Teach us Your truth.

Leader: You, O Lord, are the God who saves. We put our hope in You all day long.

May the Peace of Christ be with You.

People: And also with You.

Leader: Let us Worship God!

OPENING HYMN

"Fairest Lord Jesus"
Ivey Cherry, baritone

CRUSADERS' HYMN

CALL TO CONFESSION

Psalms 25:8-10

The Lord is good and does the right thing; teaching sinners which way they should go.

God guides the weak to justice, teaching them the way. All the Lord's paths are loving and faithful.

*LITANY OF CONFESSION

Psalms 25:6-22

Leader: Remember Lord, Your compassion and steadfast love are everlasting.

We plead, do not remember the sins of our youth or wrongdoings.

Remember us only according to Your faithful love and the sake of Your goodness.

People: Please, for the sake of Your good name, Lord, forgive our sins, which are many!

Leader: Where are the ones who honor the Lord?

The Lord counsels those who honor Him; God makes His covenant known to them.

People: Forgive us for stepping away, forgetting, and not showing up.

Leader: Our eyes are always looking to the Lord because He will free my feet from the net.

Turn to me, God, and have mercy on me because I'm alone and suffering.

People: Forgive us for keeping our heads down, focusing on all that is wrong and broken.

Leader: Our heart's troubles keep getting bigger— set us free from distress!

Look at our suffering and trouble— forgive all our sins!

People: Forgive us for focusing on all that is wrong and broken. Forgive us for worrying instead of praying, avoiding instead of engaging, hoarding instead of giving.

Leader: Look at how many enemies we have and how violently they hate us!

People: Forgive us for assuming instead of asking, blaming instead of forgiving, dividing instead of connecting.

Leader: Please protect our lives! Deliver us! We take refuge in You.

May integrity and uprightness preserve us, for we wait for You.

Please, O God, redeem this broken world from all its troubles! Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

Congregation: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 21:23-32

SERMON

"Because I Said So!"

Lori Raible

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

Text to Give

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Ride On, King Jesus!"

arr. Hall Johnson

Ivey Cherry, baritone; Gay Pappin, piano

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

For those worshipping in the Sanctuary, please be seated after the Benediction until after the Postlude ends. Then, take caution to maintain social distance as you exit the Narthex.

*Those who are able please stand.