

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 3, 2021 @ 8:30am

THEME: God honored God's covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob when God appeared to Moses to promise deliverance to God's people.

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAISE

How Great is our God

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty, let all the earth rejoice.
All the earth rejoice. He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide.
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

CHORUS: How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God
And all will see how great, how great is our God

And age to age He stands, And time is in His hands, Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End. The Godhead three in one: Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb. **CHORUS**

Name above all names, worthy of all praise
My heart will sing: How great is our God (repeat)(chorus)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God created all things.

We celebrate all that God created when we gather.

God continues to keep God's promises,

And we come to God's house ready to put our trust in God.

*GATHERING SONG

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

REFRAIN: Come, now is the time to worship. Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship. Come, just as you are before your God, Come!

One day every tongue will confess You are God. One day every knee will bow.
Still the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose You now. *Refrain*

Willingly we choose to surrender our lives, willingly our knees will bow.
With all our heart, soul, mind and strength, we gladly choose You now. *Refrain*

*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray: God of the covenant, **You kept your promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob when you returned to deliver the Israelites. Your faithfulness saved your people. Teach us to trust in your faithfulness. Amen.**

FIRST READING Exodus 2:23-25; 3:1-15; 4:10-17 Pew Bible Old Testament pgs.54-57
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Alleluia!*



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

GOSPEL John 8:48-59 Pew Bible New Testament pg. 105

The Holy Gospel according to John the 8thchapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The reading concludes: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Pastor Pam Challis

SERMON Pastor Pam Challis

***SERMON HYMN** *Bless Now, O God, the Journey* #326

**Bless now, O God, the journey that all your people make,
the path through noise and silence, the way of give and take.
The trail is found in desert and winds the mountain round,
then leads beside still waters, the road where faith is found.**

**Bless sojourners and pilgrims who share this winding way;
your hope burns through the terrors, your love sustains the day.
We yearn for holy freedom while often we are bound;
together we are seeking the road where faith is found.**

**Divine eternal lover, you meet us on the road.
We wait for land of promise where milk and honey flow,
but waiting not for places, you meet us all around.
Our covenant is written on roads, as faith is found.**

***APOSTLES' CREED**

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

**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.**

**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 CHURCH

We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need...

Faithful Lord, **hear our prayer**

Steadfast and loving God, gather these prayers we have offered... Through Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

#545

**Lord, dismiss us with your blessing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh, refresh us; oh, refresh us, trav'ling through this wilderness.**

**Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound. May the fruits of your salvation
in our hearts and lives abound. Ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.**

**Savior, when your love shall call us from our struggling pilgrim way,
let no fear of death appall us, glad your summons to obey. May we ever,
may we ever reign with you in endless day.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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(off camera)