



INDEPENDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Ordinary Time (Proper 7)

June 20, 2021



Elements of Peace; Kelowna, British Columbia

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Rev. Luke Choi, Preacher

*“Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
as God in Christ has forgiven you.” ~ Ephesians 4:32*

~ **GATHERING** ~

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (*from Psalm 107*)

Let the redeemed of the Lord rejoice;
for the steadfast love of God, give thanks!

PRELUDE

ANDANTE GRAZIOSO

KV 331

W.A. Mozart

CALL TO WORSHIP (*from Ephesians 4-5*)

There is one body and one Spirit,
one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God of all.

Let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors,
for we are members of one another.

Let only what is useful for building up come from our mouths,
so that our words may give grace to those who hear.

May we be imitators of God, as beloved children,
and live in love, as Christ loved us.

Come let us worship God.

HYMN

AMAZING GRACE, HOW SWEET THE SOUND

GTG #649

by John Newton

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*based on Ephesians 4*)

God of grace, who is above all and through all and in all, we confess that we fail in our calling to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. We do not put away all falsehoods; we allow our anger to become sin; and too often we hold onto bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander. Help us build up rather than break down. Through your Spirit, help us be kind to one another, forgive one another, and live into your love. Amen.

[Time of Silent Confession.]

RESPONSE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

GTG #551

American folk melody, arr. Richard Proulx

LAND OF REST

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe this astounding good news,
through Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

ALLELUIA

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH!

GTG #591

Caribbean melody; arr. by John L. Bell

HALLE HALLE

~ THE WORD ~

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

GENESIS 9:18-29

(NRSV)

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

EPHESIANS 4:32

(NRSV)

SERMON

PRACTICING GOD'S GRACE

Rev. Luke Choi

~ RESPONDING TO THE WORD ~

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*from the Second Helvetic Confession*)

Now the works which we do by faith are pleasing to God and are approved by God. Because of faith in Christ, those who do good works which, moreover, are done from God's grace through the Holy Spirit, are pleasing to God. For St. Peter said: "In every nation any one who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him."

(Acts 10:35) And Paul said: "We have not ceased to pray for you ... that you may walk worthily of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work." (Col. 1:9 f.)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

RESPONSE

DOXOLOGY

GTG #606

Words by Thomas Ken

OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

~ *SENDING* ~

HYMN

THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD

GTG #370

by Maltbie D. Babcock

TERRA BEATA

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

ALLA TURCA

KV 331

W.A. Mozart

Please join us in the gathering room or the courtyard for coffee and tea.



Carving above the door of the Fair Maid's House dating from 1475. The motto, "Grace and Peace," dates from c. 1622 when the house was bought as a meeting hall for one of the Mediaeval guilds of Perth, Scotland.

Rev. Wigger is on vacation from June 20-23. If you have any pastoral care emergencies during those times, please reach out to either Nancy or Dean Jermann who will be the deacons on-call. For non-emergencies please contact the office.

Pieces of today's liturgy are from: *The Book of Common Worship*, PC(USA).

GTG = "Glory to God" Hymnal; (NRSV) = New Revised Standard Version