



INDEPENDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

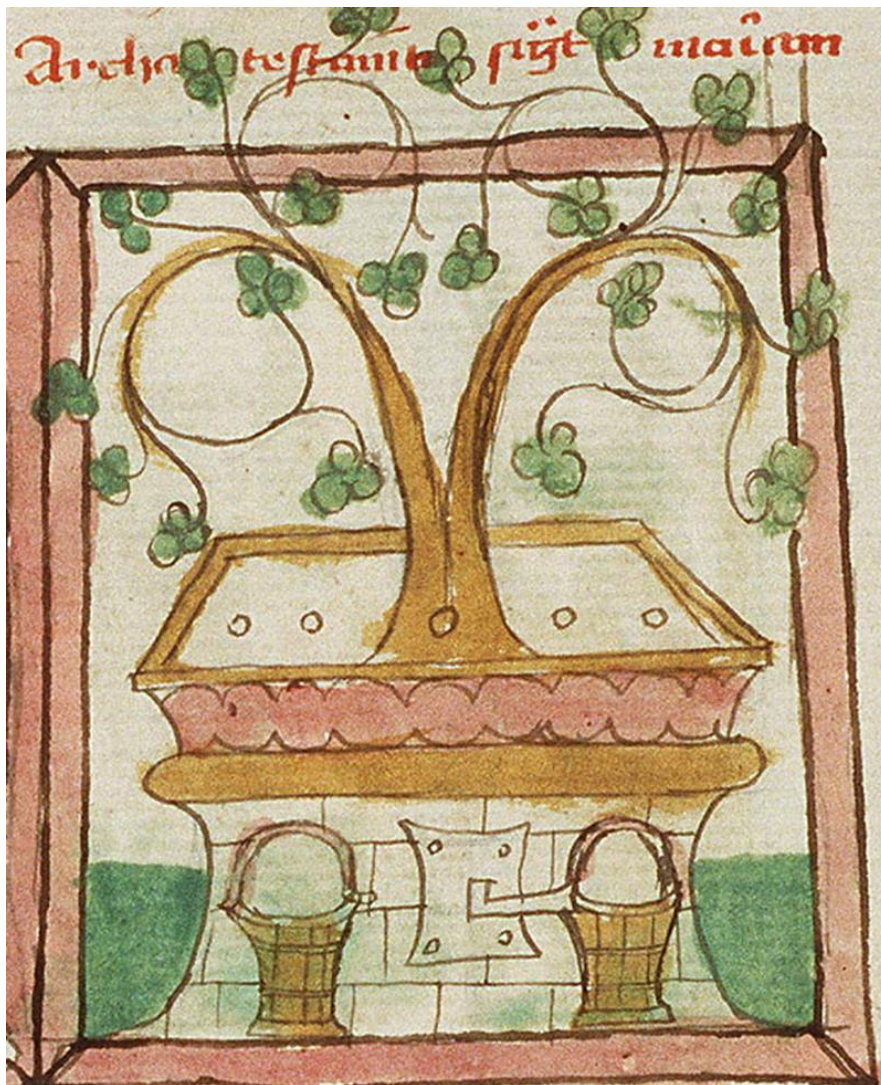


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7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Ordinary Time (Proper 10)

July 11, 2021



Ark of the Covenant, The Hague, Netherlands

C.J. Briggs, Music Director
Julie Lehmann, Secretary

Lauren Somple, Liturgist
Rev. David B. Wigger, Pastor

*Praise in the making, the sharing, the moving;
praise to the God who dances with us. ~ Jan Berry*

~ *GATHERING* ~

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (*Psalm 24:1*)

The earth is the LORD'S and all that is in it;
the world, and those who live in it.

PRELUDE

PRELUDE IN D MAJOR

J.S. Bach

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Based on Psalm 24*)

Where do you dwell, O God of glory, and where is your blessing?
Our massive doors and strongest gates cannot contain your majesty.
O God of all creation, open the gates!
Fling the doors wide, and let the waters sparkle with your glory.
Bless the world, we pray; free up every heart!
Lift our souls, and let the earth shine with blessing.
Come let us worship God.

HYMN

BLESSED ASSURANCE, JESUS IS MINE!
by Fanny Crosby

GTG #839
ASSURANCE

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Based on Psalm 24 and 2 Samuel 6*)

Holy God, you live among us, and yet too often we fail to see your face or hear your Word. Our hands are dirty, our hearts muddied, and we lift our souls away from your prophetic truth. We fail to offering well-being to your creation, or bless the people in your name. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to lift our heads, and throw open the gates around our hearts. Help us practice well-being for the earth, and all those who live in it. Amen. *Time of Silent Confession.*

***RESPONSE**

LORD, HAVE MERCY
American folk melody, arr. Richard Proulx

GTG #551
LAND OF REST

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (*Based on Ephesians 1*)

...according to the good pleasure of the Lord. **In God we have been redeemed. In God we have forgiveness. Thanks be to God.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

ALLELUIA

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH!
Caribbean melody; arr. by John L. Bell

GTG #591
HALLE HALLE

~ THE WORD ~

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON

MARK 6:14-29

(NRSV)

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

ANTHEM

I DANCED IN THE MORNING
by Sydney Carter

GTG #157
LORD OF THE DANCE

HEBREW BIBLE

2 SAMUEL 6:1-19

(NRSV)

SERMON

(HUMBLY) DANCING BEFORE GOD

Rev. Wigger

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*from A Brief Statement of Faith*)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community...In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. ... Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

~ RESPONDING TO THE WORD ~

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

RESPONSE

DOXOLOGY

GTG #606

Words by Thomas Ken

OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Praise in the making, the sharing, the moving;
praise to the God who dances with us.

The 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 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.**

~ SENDING ~

HYMN

SEEK YE FIRST

GTG #175

by Karen Lafferty

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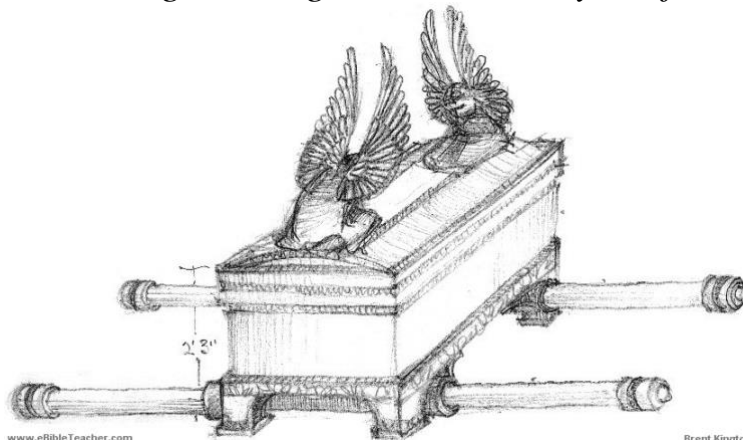
BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

FUGUE IN D MAJOR

J.S. Bach

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



*You are invited to rise in body or spirit, for the liturgy marked with asterisks.

Pieces of today's liturgy are from: *Together We Pray*, by J. Bradley Wigger; *Presbyterian Outlook*, Teri McDowell Ott; and Jan Berry in *Bread of Tomorrow*.

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