



First Presbyterian Church of Naples

Service of Worship

Sunday, July 18, 2010

9:30 a.m.

Our Mission:

Serving Christ In Our Community and the World

A Time for Meditation and Prayer

The Prelude

Psalm XIX

BENEDETTO MARCELLO

Welcome and Greeting Together

*Call to Worship

Leader: The mystery that was hidden for long ages has been disclosed by God.

People: *Witness the Christ, in whom is hid the treasure of wisdom, by whom the bread is blessed and broken.*

Leader: The secret that was veiled for generations has been revealed by God-

People: *Witness the Christ, in whom is found the wealth of forgiveness, by whom the wine is blessed and poured.*

All: *The time is fulfilled! The day is come! Let all in heaven unite with earth, singing praise to the Lord their God.*

*Hymn of Praise #77

LOBE DEN HERREN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1. *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!*

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

2. *Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,*

shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!

Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth?

3. *Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee,*

surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.

Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if with his love he befriend thee.

4. *Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!*

All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!

Let the Amen sound from his people again: gladly forever adore him.

Prayer of Adoration

* *Let all who are able, please stand.*

Prayers of Confession

*All: Only one thing is needed. How often we forget, Lord, and how often we doubt, that what you most need is not our waiting **upon** you, but our waiting **for** you—waiting for the word, through whom all things are made, and without whom nothing is done. We forget; we doubt, because waiting is not easy for us. We live in a bustling world in the midst of bustling people. We have little patience and much ambition; we have little time and much talk. We fidget in silence. We squirm in idleness. We teach our children that those who say nothing have nothing to say, and that those who hesitate are lost. Forgive our impatience. Forgive our insatiable ambition. Forgive our over-commitment which results in a lack of silent listening. Disrupt our diversions and make us teachers of reflection and of peace. Amen.*

A Moment for Silent Personal Confession

Confession Response:

What a Friend We Have in Jesus (vs. 3)

CONVERSE

*All: Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge – take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.*

Words of Assurance

Leader: God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might find life through Him.

All: Believe this Good News, in Jesus Christ we have been and are being healed, to the glory of God.

*Gloria Patri #805

GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen!

Children's Time

JEN CARDENAS

First Reading

Colossians 1:15-28

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¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. ²¹ And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him— ²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. ²⁴ I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**Let all who are able, please stand.*

Response

Simple Gifts

Peter Gilbody, *tenor*

ARR. AARON COPLAND

Prayers of The People and 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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings (Please pass the friendship pads.)

The Offertory

I Will Always Be With You

JOSEPH M. MARTIN

Through the nights you feel alone, I'll be there to sing a song. In the shadows falling, hear my spirit calling, song unending. Even 'til the end of time I will always be with you. In the chill of winter snow, even then my love will show. In that love I'll hold you, in my arms enfold you, grace unending. Even 'til the end of time I will always be with you. In the deepest valley, call, and I'll be there. All your sorrows I will bear. Look to the clouds or the bottom of the sea. I'll still be loving you. I'll still be giving faithfully. O I will wipe away each tear, cast away your ev'ry fear. All your pain will cease, I will give you peace. Peace unending. Even 'til the end of time I will always be with you. Near my heart I'll lay Thee down where my love and peace abound. In the quiet mountains, by the gentle fountains, Life unending. Even 'til the end of time I will always be with you.

*The Doxology

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

We offer ourselves to you fully, O God. We long to be Yours without distraction. Receive the gifts of self and talents freely given which are the best we can offer today—but which are only a shadow of what we hope to grow into tomorrow. Our humble prayer is that You would use all we have brought to bring honor to Your Name.

Second Reading

Luke 10:38-42

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³⁸ Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴² there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

Leader: The word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

Confessions of a Recovering Martha

* *Let all who are able, please stand.*

Come, All Christians, Be Committed

1. *Come, all Christians, be committed to the service of the Lord;
make your lives for him more fitted, tune your hearts with one accord.
Come into his courts with gladness, all your sacred vows renew,
turn away from sin and sadness, be transformed with life anew.*
2. *Of your time and talents give ye, they are gifts from God above,
to be used by Christians freely to proclaim his wondrous love.
Come again to serve the Savior, tithes and offerings with you bring;
in your work, with him find favor, and with joy his praises sing.*
3. *Come in praise and adoration, all who on Christ's name believe;
worship him with consecration, grace and love will you receive.
For his grace give him the glory, for the Spirit and the Word,
and repeat the gospel story until all his name have heard.*

*Commission

Leader: When we want to stand and speak...God draws us to His feet to listen.

All: *When we've set our agenda...Christ asks us to set aside anything that distracts us from His Father.*

Leader: When we're restless...The Spirit soothes our anxious thoughts. Take time this week to sit, to set aside, to receive what God has for you...and be blest.

*Benediction

Postlude

Trumpet Tune

CHRISTOPHER TAMBLING

** Let all who are able, please stand.*

Preaching:

Rev. Dr. Kathleen Weller

Assisting:

Jen Cardenas, Gloria Kersch

Organist: on the Julia Thompson Smith Memorial Organ

Dr. Brice Gerlach

Ushers: Phyllis Kruger (Head Usher), Lloyd & Susan Doerflinger,

Dorothy Douglas, Richard Filley, Jerry Harvatt, Sandy Johnson,

Robert Knudson, Bob Martin, Rudy & Julie McCullough, Irene Lichtefeld-Neff

Greeters: Jim & Joanne Applegate D.D. Desmond, Dan & Diane Stellema

Stephen Minister (Spencer Hall): Irene Lichtefeld-Neff

*Donations to the Sanctuary Flower Fund have been made by
The Sunshine Circle, Presbyterian Women in memory of Jan Hertel.*

*Sympathies of the church are extended to the family and friends of
Louise Daub upon the death of her brother, Raymond Bouquin on July 2
and to*

The family and friends of Ann Brown who died July 14.

*A service in memory of Jan Hertel will be held at the church on
Saturday, July 24 at 10:30 a.m.*

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