



“After these things God tested Abraham...”

- Genesis 22:1

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OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

June 28, 2020

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

Althea Waites

CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 13

Leader: My soul cries out “How long, O Lord? Will you hide your face from me forever?”

People: Hear my cry! Give light to my eyes, so that I may live.

Leader: I shall trust in your steadfast love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation.

People: I will sing to you, O Lord, for you have dealt lovingly with me.

*HYMN

“The God of Abraham Praise”

Charles Dickerson

**The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of Everlasting Days, and God of love;
Jehovah great I AM! by earth and heaven confessed;
I bow and bless the sacred name forever blest.**

**The great I AM has sworn; I on this oath depend.
I shall, on eagle wings upborne, to heaven ascend.
I shall behold God’s face; I shall God’s power adore,
And sing the wonders of God’s grace forevermore.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Gracious God, we confess that we do not always live in hope and trust. You invite us to new life in your love, but we seek to hold on to what we know. We rely on our own efforts rather than trusting in your promise. We fail to understand the depth of your care for us. We misunderstand your intentions for our lives. Open our eyes to see the hope you have for us, your children. Lead us toward one another, and you. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Lesley Munger

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty,
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH Jonathan Chute

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN Jonathan Chute

ANTHEM *“There Is a Balm in Gilead”* 3rd service ensemble

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION April Herron

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 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. Amen.**

OFFERTORY Althea Waites

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.**

SCRIPTURE

- Genesis 22:1-14 Abraham's faith is tested Lesley Munger

SERMON *“Take a Hike”* Jonathan Chute

HYMN

“Hymn of Promise”

Charles Dickerson

**In bulb, there is a flower; in the seed an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise; butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there’s a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.**

**There’s a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
There’s a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.**

***BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

Althea Waites

3rd service ensemble:

Paula Kuno – guitar/mandolin/vocals
Teresa James – piano/flute/vocals
Michael Starr – guitar/violin/mandolin/vocals
Zach Provost – piano/vocals
Cory Tramontelli – bass/vocals
Jack Sollecito – percussion/guitar/piano

Rev. Jonathan Chute, Senior Pastor
Rev. Dr. Martha Rowlett, Senior Pastor Emeritus
Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director
Annette Matsuda, Parish Nurse
Megan Pelc, Kid Zone/Mid Zone Director
Debra DeLuca, Children’s Ministry Director
Kristin Reksch, Youth Ministry Director

Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor
Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director
Althea Waites, Organist
Paula Kuno, 3rd Service Music
John Fitzgerald, Treasurer
Nicole Lowery Zakman, Church Business Mgr.
Roksolana Vecerek, Exec. Asst. to Pastor
Peggy Roulette, Church Office Admin.
Miguel Portillo, Custodian