



“Let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master’s son.”

- Genesis 24:44

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OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

July 5, 2020

8th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

Althea Waites

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 145

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People: The Lord is good to all, whose compassion rests over every creature.

Leader: The Lord supports all who stumble, and raises all who are bowed down.

People: The Lord keeps the promises made to us, and is gracious in every deed.

*HYMN

“America, the Beautiful”

Charles Dickerson

**O beautiful, for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain;
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood, from sea to shining sea.**

**O beautiful, for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Most loving God, we give thanks that in Jesus Christ you seek to unite all things in heaven and on earth, and to reconcile all people to one another and to you. Your compassion reaches across the world's boundaries and borders. You teach us that healing and hope are gifts you share with all your children. Open our hearts to your grace, that we may be signs of your love, as it works in our lives and in the world around us. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Michele Nelson

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!**

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| THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH | | Jonathan Chute |
| THE WORD FOR CHILDREN | | |
| ANTHEM | <i>“America (My Country, ’Tis of Thee)”</i> | Charles Dickerson |
| SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS | | |
| 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. | |
| OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES | | |
| OFFERTORY | | Althea Waites |
| DOXOLOGY | | Charles Dickerson |
| | 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 24, selected verses | A wife for Isaac | Michele Nelson |
| SERMON | <i>“By a Thread”</i> | Jonathan Chute |
| PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING | | April Herron |
| | Leader: The Lord be with you. | |
| | People: And also with you. | |
| | Leader: Lift up your hearts. | |
| | People: We lift them up to the Lord. | |
| | Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. | |
| | People: It is right to give God thanks and praise. | |
| | <i>(a pastor will offer the prayer of thanksgiving)</i> | |
| BLESSING AND SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP | | Jonathan Chute |

HYMN

“This Is My Song”

Charles Dickerson

**This is my song, O God of all the nations,
A song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
But other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.**

**My country’s skies are bluer than the ocean,
And sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
And skies are everywhere as blue as mine.
O hear my song, thou God of all the nations;
A song of peace, for their land and for mine.**

BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing, fill our hearts with joy and peace.
Let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.**

POSTLUDE

“Angel Band”

3rd service ensemble

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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 Reksc, 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