

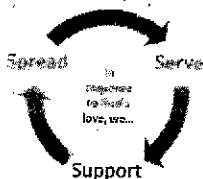
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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Joint Worship with University Hills Lutheran Church

Order of Worship - 9:00 AM

AS WE GATHER – *When God called Moses to tell Pharaoh to let His people go, Moses had a identity crisis. He was aware of his inability to take on the great task. But eventually he trusted in God, the great I AM, who was about to keep the promise He had made to the patriarchs. The Early Church was beset with conflicting teachings in the decades after Jesus' ascension. But Paul reminded the faithful that God had chosen them to be saved. As they awaited Jesus' return, He urged them to rely on God for the comfort and hope they needed. We, too, by ourselves are helpless, dead in sin, but, as Jesus told His detractors, God is not God of the dead, but of the living, and we shall live with Him forever.*

PRESERVICE MUSIC

"Morning Prelude"

by J. Carlton Drew

WELCOME

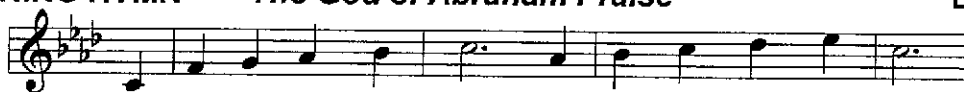
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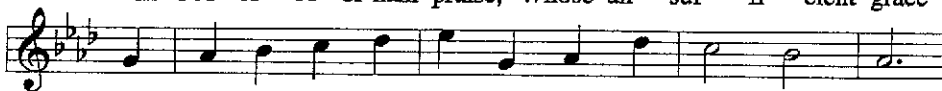
OPENING HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise

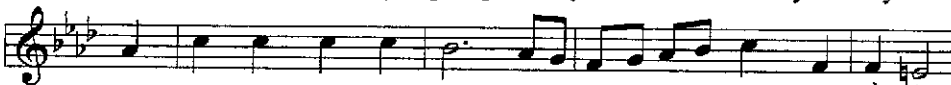
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1 The God of A - br'ham praise, Who reigns en - throned a - bove;
3 The God of A - br'ham praise, Whose all - suf - fi - cient grace



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days And God of love.
Shall guide me all my pil - grim days In all my ways.



Je - ho - vah, great I AM! By earth and heav'n con - fessed;
He deigns to call me friend; He calls Him - self my God.

(continued)



I bow and bless the sa - cred name For - ev - er blest.
And He shall save me to the end Through Je - sus' blood.

6. The goodly land I see,
With peace and plenty blest:
A land of sacred liberty
And endless rest.
There milk and honey flow,
And oil and wine abound,
And trees of life forever grow
With mercy crowned.
8. The God who reigns on high
The great archangels sing,
And "Holy, holy, holy!" cry,
"Almighty King!
Who was and is the same
And evermore shall be:
Jehovah, Father, great I AM!
We worship Thee!"
9. The whole triumphant host
Give thanks to God on high.
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!"
They ever cry.
Hail, Abr'ham's God and mine!
I join the heav'nly lays:
All might and majesty are Thine
And endless praise! Amen.

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INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Based on Exodus 3:6-8, 14-15

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the \div Son and of the Holy Spirit,*
- C** **the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob,**
- P** *who has surely seen the affliction of His people,*
- C** **who has come down to deliver them,**
- P** *whose name is I AM WHO I AM,*
- C** **who is to be remembered throughout all generations.**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P** *When God called out to Moses from the burning bush, Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.*
- C** **We, having sinned against God in our thoughts, words, and deeds, cannot come into God's presence as we are, helpless in our fallen sinful condition. Forgive us, Almighty Creator.**
- P** *When God promised Moses that he would serve Him on Mount Horeb, Moses asked to know the name of God.*
- C** **And we, who bear the name of God from our Baptism, have failed to reflect His grace, love, and mercy in our daily living. Forgive us, Gracious Savior.**
- P** *When God told him to go Pharaoh, Moses could only say, "Who am I that I should go?"*
- C** **We have put our personal desires ahead of God and the people around us. Forgive us, Strengthening Spirit.**

[Silence for reflection on the Word of God and our sinful condition.]

- P** *God promised Moses that he and the Israelites, freed from slavery in Egypt, would worship on that mountain. Because of Jesus' sacrifice, we have been freed from our sins. God now*

Lord, we mag-ni-fy Your name: Prince of Peace, Might-y

God, O Lord God Al-might - y. O y.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** *The Lord be with you.*
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** *Let us pray.*

All: Lord of heaven and earth, in Jesus You came down and freed us to serve You in peace and joy. Your kingdom come to us and Your will be done through us each day until You graciously usher us into Your presence in eternity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P** *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** *Let us share this peace with one another.*

(People greet one another saying: "Peace be with you. And also with you.")

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 3:1–15

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

- L** *This is the Word of the Lord.*
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE LESSON

2 Thessalonians 2:1–8, 13–17

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

- L** *This is the Word of the Lord.*
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA VERSE

Luke 20:38

All: Alleluia. He is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to Him. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 20:27–40

- P** *The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.*
- C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

- P** *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*
- C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

[Prayer requests will be collected at this time.]

HYMN OF THE DAY *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

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1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.

7. He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare;
He lives to bring me safely there.
8. He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

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SERMON

"WHEN GOD IS CALLING"

Exodus 3:1-6

- I. Like Moses, we may think that we are inadequate to serve God and witness to others.
- II. But just as God equipped Moses for his work, God equips us to serve Him and our neighbors.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

- I** believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PROFFERING

"The God of Abraham Praise"

by David von Kampen

OFFERTORY

Create in Me

LSB 956

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way

from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;
 and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** *Let us pray for our brothers and sisters in the faith and for all people in their various circumstances. Eternal Lord, You sent Moses to Pharaoh, giving him Your name and promising to go with him. Now You send us out into the world with Your name upon us from our Baptism and Your gracious presence going with us. Use us, we pray, and work through us to accomplish Your gracious will. Confident that You accompany us,*
- C** **we praise the name of the Lord.**
- P** *Heavenly Father, You saw the afflictions of Your people in Egypt. Look on all who are oppressed by harsh governments, denied their human rights by corrupt courts, or cast aside by uncaring cultures. Visit, relieve, strengthen, and free them to worship You in peace and joy. Knowing Your answers are better than our prayers, **C** we praise the name of the Lord.*
- P** *O Holy Spirit, You knew the sufferings of the Israelites in Moses' day. Listen to all who are struggling with illnesses of body, mind, or spirit, [including . . .], and guide those who seek to meet their various needs. Anticipating the contentment and health that await them in Your gracious plans, **C** we praise the name of the Lord.*
- P** *Lord Jesus, hear the prayers of all displaced from their homes or seeking asylum in foreign lands, and protect all who work for order within societies and peace across borders. Confident that You can bring good out of every circumstance,*
- C** **we praise the name of the Lord.**
- P** *Lord of the nations, Pharaoh did not know You in Moses' day, and today whole nations have not heard our Savior's name. Open doors of opportunity for lay and clergy leaders so that the Gospel may be proclaimed. Trusting that growth will come to the Church by Your will,*
- C** **we praise the name of the Lord.**
- P** *Lord Jesus, Your people have awaited Your return since Your ascension. During this time when lawlessness and rebellion are rampant in this fallen world, give us comfort and hope, protection and encouragement. Looking forward to joining those who have gone before and now live in Your presence, **C** we praise the name of the Lord, now and forever. Amen.*

LORD'S PRAYER

- P** *O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*
- C** **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 and ever. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

P *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you His peace.* **C** Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

I'm But a Stranger Here

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1 I'm but a strang - er here, Heav'n is my home;
2 What though the tem - pest rage, Heav'n is my home;
3 There - fore I mur - mur not, Heav'n is my home;



Earth is a des - ert drear, Heav'n is my home.
Short is my pil - grim - age, Heav'n is my home;
What - e'er my earth - ly lot, Heav'n is my home;



Dan - ger and sor - row stand Round me on ev - 'ry hand;
And time's wild win - try blast Soon shall be o - ver - past;
And I shall sure - ly stand There at my Lord's right hand;



Heav'n is my fa - ther - land, Heav'n is my home.
I shall reach home at last, Heav'n is my home.
Heav'n is my fa - ther - land, Heav'n is my home.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

"March Movement"

E. L. Ashford

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