

ORDER OF WORSHIP
14th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday July 4, 2021 - 9:00 am Service

Prelude

Two Shaker Songs
NATE ZULLINGER, ORGAN

Wilbur Held

Call to Worship (*responsively*)

From where will our help come?

Our help come from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Who is our keeper?

The Lord is our keeper, by day and by night.

How long will God protect us?

From this time on and forevermore.

Opening Hymn 337 *My Country, 'Tis of Thee*
(*Hymn located at the end of the bulletin*)

AMERICA

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace. You call us to trust in your completely, but we do not. We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead. We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what you require. We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change. Forgive us, we pray; trusting that you have included us by grace into the family of faith. In Christ's name we pray, amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Affirmation of Faith – Apostles' 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Time with the Children

Kelli Masters

First Scripture Reading: Psalm 120:1-2; Psalm 122:1-2

In my distress I cry to the Lord, that he may answer me: "Deliver me, O Lord, from lying lips, from a deceitful tongue." I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!" Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (*in unison*)

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.

Announcements and Offering

Please make an offering to the ongoing work of the church. You can give online by using the giving button on the website at www.waynepres.org/giving/

Musical Offertory

I to the Hills Lift Up Mine Eyes
QUARTET

Jean Berger

Second Scripture Reading: Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Psalms of Summer: Psalm 121

RICHARD MILLER

Closing Hymn 645 *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

MIT FREUDEN ZART

(Hymn located at the end of the bulletin)

Benediction

Postlude

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals

Sigfried Karg-Elert

NATE ZULLINGER, ORGAN

A big thank you goes to our "Pew Crew" - Dorothea Behr, Dory Hoxie, Liz Precious, Lee Pretz and Mary Hodge for coming in this past week to return all the pew rack items for today.

this week

Youth Group - Wednesday night - 6:00 PM - Courtyard

All youth from those going into sixth grade through graduated seniors are encouraged to join us in the WPC Courtyard for pizza and other treats as Austin leads the group in discussions and activities.

opportunities to serve / faith in action

BE A FAN OF CITYLIGHTS 100 FANS (OR FUNDS) BY SUNDAY, JULY 18!

For over 10 years we have been collecting fans in the summer for Southwest Philadelphia. Many in the Southwest community need fans — members of the community who suffer from COVID-19, asthma or other illnesses, those with young children, pregnant women and senior citizens. If you have fans or air conditioners to donate, you can call the Church Office (610-688-8700) and arrange to drop them off. You may also make a monetary donation of approximately \$30 to cover the cost of a fan. For monetary donations, please make checks payable to *Wayne Presbyterian Church* adding "Fan Collection for CityLights" on the memo line of your check. Or you can contribute online by going to www.waynepres.org (check or credit card) and select Directed Gift, then type Fan collection. Donating fans is one small way to put your faith in action.

BIBLE IN A BOOK-BAG PROJECT

The Deacons are collecting funds for the annual Bible-in-a- Book-Bag project. A donation of \$75 will purchase a bookbag, Bible, and school supplies for one student at the Cornerstone Christian Academy for the upcoming school year. Donations can be made as part of the regular Sunday collection via checks made payable to "Wayne Presbyterian Church" with "Bible-in-a-Book-Bag" in the memo line OR can be made online. Select "Giving" from the homepage, then "Give Online". In the Fund section, select "Directed Gift" and in the "Direct Your Giving" section, indicate "Bible-in-a-Book-Bag".

upcoming events

ADULT EDUCATION

July 11 -10:30 AM Fireside Rm.

Radical Witness: Theology & Practice" with David King. We will be looking at Christians from the 20th century - Dietrich Bonhoeffer, St. Oscar Romero, Dorothy Day, Ida B. Wells, James Cone - giving particular attention to the way their theology and traditions shaped their social and political witness. Join us! You can sign up at our website www.waynepres.org.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

July 4 - 10:00 AM Kids Corner Under the Tent

Kids can meet Mrs. M and Shep under the tent for a fun time of stories, crafts, and special treats!

337 My Country, 'Tis of Thee

1 My coun - try, 'tis of thee, sweet land of
 2 My na - tive coun - try, thee, land of the
 3 Let mu - sic swell the breeze, and ring from
 4 Our *fa - thers' God, to thee, au - thor of

lib - er - ty, of thee I sing; land where my
 no - ble free, thy name I love; I love thy
 all the trees sweet free - dom's song. Let mor - tal
 lib - er - ty, to thee we sing. Long may our

*fa - thers died, land of the pil - grims' pride,
 rocks and rills, thy woods and tem - pled hills;
 tongues a - wake; let all that breathe par - take;
 land be bright with free - dom's ho - ly light;

from ev - ery moun - tain - side let free - dom ring.
 my heart with rap - ture thrills like that a - bove.
 let rocks their si - lence break, the sound pro - long.
 pro - tect us by thy might, great God, our King.

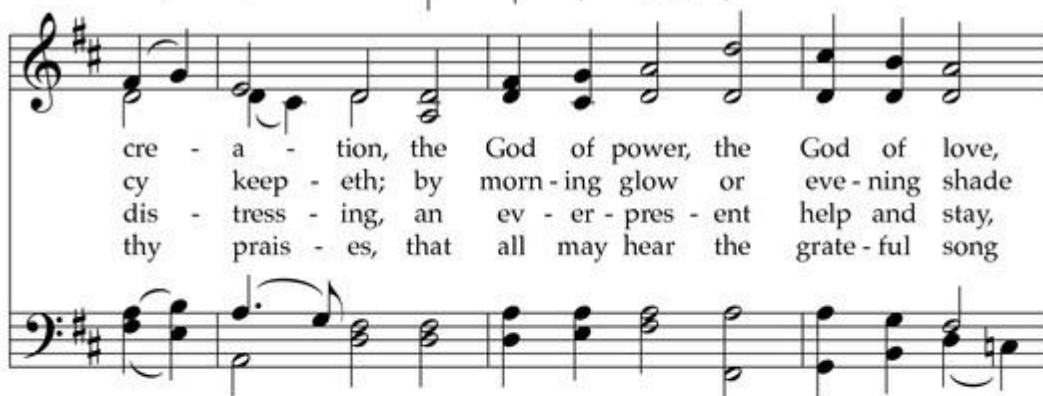
*Or "parents"

This now-familiar patriotic song was written by a Baptist minister and received its first public performance at an Independence Day celebration by the Boston Sabbath School Union in 1831. It was written to replace a German patriotic text sung to the same tune.

645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above



1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all
 2 What God's al-might - y power has made God's gra - cious mer -
 3 The Lord is nev - er far a - way, but, through all grief
 4 Thus all my toil - some way a - long I sing a - loud



cre - a - tion, the God of power, the God of love,
 cy keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade
 dis - tress - ing, an ev - er - pres - ent help and stay,
 thy prais - es, that all may hear the grate - ful song



the God of our sal - va - tion. With
 God's watch - ful eye ne'er sleep - eth. With -
 our peace and joy and bless - ing, as
 my voice un - wea - ried rais - es. Be



heal - ing balm my soul is filled, and ev - ery faith - less
 in the king - dom of God's might, lo! all is just and
 with a moth - er's ten - der hand God gent - ly leads the
 joy - ful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and bod - y,

The regal divine imagery here will not be new to most singers, but some may not expect the third stanza's image of God as mother. Yet it is part of God's self-description in Isaiah 66:13. This Bohemian Brethren tune resembles both Genevan psalm tunes and French folk songs.