



**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**15th Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
**Sunday July 11, 2021 - 9:00 am Service**

**Prelude**

*... There is a spirit that delights to do no evil...* (fr. A Quaker Reader)  
NATE ZULLINGER, ORGAN

Ned Rorem

**Call to Worship** (*responsively*)

Oh Lord, you have searched us and known us.

**You know each of us better than we know ourselves.**

Your presence never leaves us.

**Your love for us never ceases.**

Your claim upon us tells us the story of who we really are. We are yours, oh God. Your beloved.

**Oh Lord, you have searched us and known us. Let us worship God!**

**Opening Hymn 65** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

CWM RHONDDA

(*Hymn located at the end of the bulletin*)

**Prayer of Confession** (*in unison*)

Holy God, so many of our Psalms reveal a heart out of tune, sighing, crying, and breaking with sorrow, yet clinging to faith in you. So too, Lord, are our hearts. In Jesus Christ, you claim us as your own, and your Holy Spirit tunes our hearts again to sing your praises. Forgive us for the ways we have failed to live out your calling upon our lives. By your tender love, free us to live in joyful obedience to your Word. May we seek to live in communion with you and with one another, loving you and loving our neighbor as ourselves. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon**

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**Gloria Patri (Hymn 581)**

*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.*

**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: Romans 8:12-25**

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for

adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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/](http://www.waynepres.org/giving/)

### **Musical Offertory**

*Search Me, O God*

Bobby Huguley

QUARTET

### **Doxology** (Hymn 606)

***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.***

### **Second Scripture Reading: Psalm 139**

O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it. Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you. For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed. How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you. O that you would kill the wicked, O God, and that the bloodthirsty would depart from me—those who speak of you maliciously, and lift themselves up against you for evil! Do I not hate those who hate you, O Lord? And do I not loathe those who rise up against you? I hate them with perfect hatred; I count them my enemies. Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### **Sermon**

*Psalms of Summer: Psalm 139*

KATY SHEVEL

### **Closing Hymn 836 Abide with Me**

EVENTIDE

*(Hymn located at the end of the bulletin)*

### **Benediction**

### **Postlude**

*Fugue in C Major*

Dietrich Buxtehude

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## today

### **ADULT EDUCATION**

#### **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](http://www.waynepres.org).

### **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL**

#### **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!

## 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](http://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".

## Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing  
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me  
 stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me  
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,  
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,  
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.  
 be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.  
 I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

Few Welsh hymns are as well known or loved as this 18th-century text that did not gain its popular tune until the early 20th century. In both its original text and in English translation, it is a stirring hymn of pilgrimage filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew Scripture.

## 836

## Abide with Me

1 A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide.  
 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;  
 3 I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;  
 4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;  
 5 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;

The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide!  
 earth's joys grow dim; its glo - ries pass a - way;  
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?  
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.  
 shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.

When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,  
 change and de - cay in all a - round I see.  
 Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?  
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?  
 Heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;

help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.  
 O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.  
 Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me.  
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.  
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

By blending end of day and end of life, the imagery of this well-known Victorian hymn has made it valuable for both evening services and funerals. Although the author wrote his own music for it, the present tune has been firmly associated with this text for over 150 years.