



First Presbyterian

FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA

10 a.m.

July 5, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Improvisation on OLD HUNDREDTH

OLD HUNDREDTH
Louis Bourgeois
arr. Jordan

(Please prepare your hearts for worship in reverent silence.)

GREETINGS

INTROIT

America, The Beautiful

Samuel Ward
arr. Bock

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord's Prayer

HYMN OF PRAISE

God of Our Fathers, Whose Almighty Hand

NATIONAL HYMN
George William Warren, 1894

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past;
In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
Be thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide, and Stay,
Thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine. Amen.

Daniel C. Roberts, 1876

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

*THE GLORIA PATRI

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, Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father, You have saved us by grace and made us Your own, yet often we still look like and live like we do not belong to you. In anger we lash out or hold grudges. Forgive us for our unloving ways! Though we have been blessed financially, often we don't look for others who have need. Forgive our greed and insensitivity. Though words are a precious gift to build others up; instead our words tear down, demean, or are used, for no good reason at all. Forgive us Lord. Help us Lord look more like you. Have mercy on us as we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

(Please continue in a moment of silence for personal confession.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 2:8

Leader: For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith, and this is not from yourselves. It is the gift of God.

All: For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works.

Leader: This is the Good News.

All: Thanks be to God!

MUSICAL MEDITATION

This Is My Song

FINLANDIA
Jean Sibelius
arr. Wood

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, my hopes, my dreams, my shrine;
But other hearts in other lands are beating With hopes and dreams as true as mine.
My country's skies are bluer than the ocean, And sunlight beams on clover leaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight, too, and clover, Where skies are ever blue as mine.
O hear my song, great God of all the nations, A song of peace for their land and mine.
This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms: Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.
Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him. And hearts united learn to live as one.
O hear my prayer, great God of all the nations: Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.

Lloyd Stone
Georgia Harkness

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Deep River

Traditional Spiritual

Deep river, my home is over Jordan. Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.
Oh, don't you want to go to that gospel feast, that promised land where all is peace?
Oh, deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.

The Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

Made on Purpose!

Ephesians 2:1-10

HYMN OF RESPONSE

America the Beautiful

MATERNA
Samuel Ward

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 shed His grace on Thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea.

Katharine Bates

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

THESAURUS MUSICUS
arr. Wyrzten

My country, 'tis of thee sweet land of liberty, Of thee I sing: Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrim's pride, From every mountainside Let freedom ring.

Samuel Smith

***POSTLUDE**

God Bless Our Native Land

AMERICA
setting by Held

This morning's worship is led by
Rev. Chris Handley, Associate Pastor
Ann Rodgers Chandler, Director of Music and Organist
Christa Godwin, soprano
Kelly Jokisch, trumpet

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Volunteers and subs: First Presbyterian Church's cook team and serving volunteers for My Brother's Keeper continues to serve 175 people every Tuesday. They are looking for volunteers to be "subs" for its two cook teams, servers, clean-up crew, and delivery team. Commitment is one Tuesday per month. Time is flexible: You can choose several hours between 10 and 5 p.m. Please contact Janet Brand, janet81661@aol.com, for information.