BUCKINGHAM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 20, 2020

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 11:00 A.M.

Rev. Mark Piedmonte

Music Director – Gregory Fraser

* Congregation will stand

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE with SILENT PRAYERS: Liszt

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS - During Covid, masks are required. There will be no singing other than by the minister and organist. We are to stand during designated hymns out of worship and honor. Hymn lyrics are provided as inserts so you may participate spiritually. We do not touch hymnals, friendship pads, Bibles, or offering plates. Offering is to be placed in plate when exiting.

INTROIT: "Rain Down" (See Insert to follow along)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Leader/People)

- (L) Whether we embrace God's call in our lives or try to avoid it,
- (P) God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- (L) Whether we are long-timers or latecomers in the life of faith,
- (P) God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- (L) Whether our lives in Christ are comfortable or bring hardship,
- (P) God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. We praise God's name forever and ever!

*OPENING PRAYER

- (L) Let us pray
- (P) Generous God, you give us your good work to do, daily bread and boundless grace. Increase in us a generous spirit so that we may do your work with joy alongside others whom you also love. We celebrate your salvation not only in our lives, but also in the lives of other people, even those we had not imagined would be included in the kingdom you are bringing. Align us with your ways and help us receive your gift of justice and mercy as good news. In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

*HYMN: "Morning Has Broken" (See Insert)

CALL TO CONFESSION

(L) Because we do not always live our lives in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, we confess before God and one another our sins and shortcomings. In repentance, let us turn toward God's grace and mercy as we pray:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(P) Gracious God, we have sought after many things, but we have too often forgotten to seek after you. We have expected generosity, but we have not shown generosity. We have not been gracious or grateful. We have failed to remember all that you have done. Forgive us again and fill our hearts with gratitude. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(L) People of God, our sins are forgiven! Through Jesus, we are reconciled to God. Let us therefore love one another with gratitude in our hearts and praise on our lips. (P) Thanks be to God! Amen.

*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.

(L) The peace of Christ be with you. (P) And also with you.

*WORDS & GESTURES OF PEACE: (turn to extend signs of peace to neighbors from a distance)

*SONG OF PRAISE: "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!" (See Insert)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: "Shout, Shout, Let it All Out!"

Rev. Mark Piedmonte

SHARING OF PRAYERS for JOYS and CONCERNS; PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (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.

THE PROCLAIMING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

- (L) Let us pray;
- (P) Gracious God, your Word surprises, challenges, upsets, and overturns our way of seeing and thinking. Come and find us today wherever we are, however we are. By the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to see a glimpse of the kingdom you are bringing. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

READING OF THE WORD

Epistle: Psalm 145:1-10 Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

SERMON: "De-Served"

Rev. Mark Piedmonte

*HYMN: "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" (See Insert)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: "The Apostles' Creed" (Traditional)

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.

THE RESPONDING

OFFERTORY; INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

*SONG OF DEDICATION: *(Doxology)* "Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Mark Piedmonte

THE SENDING

*CLOSING HYMN: "Come, Labor On" (See Insert)

*CHARGE and BLESSING

*BPC THEME SONG: Go now in peace . . .

POSTLUDE: Debussy

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1ST HYMN: MORNING HAS BROKEN



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Blackbird has spoken like the first bird
Praise for the singing
Praise for the morning
Praise for them springing fresh from the Word

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven Like the first dew fall on the first grass Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden Sprung in completeness where His feet pass

Mine is the sunlight
Mine is the morning
Born of the One Light Eden saw play
Praise with elation, praise every morning
God's recreation of the new day

SONG OF PRAISE: O WORSHIP THE KING, ALL GLORIOUS ABOVE!



O WORSHIP THE King, all glorious above! O gratefully sing God's power and God's love: our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

2nd HYMN: LORD, I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN



1Lord, I want to be a Christian In my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be a Christian In my heart.

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- 2. Lord, I want to be more loving In my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be more loving In my heart.
 - Refrain 2:
 In my heart, in my heart;
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 In my heart.
- 3. Lord, I want to be more holy In my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be more holy In my heart.
 - Refrain 3:

 In my heart, in my heart;
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- 4. Lord, I want to be like Jesus In my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be like Jesus In my heart.
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CLOSING HYMN: COME, LABOR ON

1 Come, labor on. Who dares stand idle on the harvest plain while all around us waves the golden grain?

And to each servant does the Master say,
"Go work today."

- 2 Come, labor on. Claim the high calling angels cannot share: to young and old the gospel gladness bear. Redeem the time its hours too swiftly fly the night draws nigh.
- 3 Come, labor on. Cast off all gloomy doubts and faithless fear! No arm so weak but may do service here: Though feeble agents may we all fulfill God's righteous will.
- 4 Come, labor on. No time for rest, till glows the western sky, till the long shadows o'er our pathway lie and a glad sound comes with the setting sun: "Well done, well done!"



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