

PARK LAKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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September 19, 2021 Order of Worship 10:30 am

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Silence

Prelude

Nun Danket Alle Gott (A Thankful Return)

Phil Lehenbauer

Will Benton, organist

Choral Introit

Holy, Holy, Holy

Franz Schubert

Call to Worship (Psalm 1)

Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,
but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night.

**That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season
and whose leaf does not wither— whatever they do prospers.**

Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

**For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.**

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

*Hymn No. 457

How Happy Are the Saints of God

Scripture Reading

Mark 9:30-37

Pew Bible, NT, page 42

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

God, we confess we confuse our way with your way.

We strive for power, recognition, and wealth.

We engage in conflicts, determined to stand our ground and protect our rights.

We imitate the wisdom of the world and are always careful to watch out for number one.

Rather than draw near to you, we follow ways of life that lead us away from you.

We watch out for ourselves, rather than trust you to watch over us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Forgive us and set us in the way everlasting.

(silent prayers of confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness (1 John 4:9-10)

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*Hymn No. 438

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

THE WORD

Welcoming the Children

Following Welcoming the Children, the children will proceed downstairs for a Bible lesson. The children will return after the sermon. The children's bulletin is available from the ushers, on the Park Lake website at plpc.org and the Park Lake Up2Date weekly email.

Blessing of Children

tune - Hymn No. 748, Tallis Canon

***Go with them, Lord, and guide their way, through this and every coming day.
That in Your spirit strong and true, their lives may be a gift to You.***

Scripture Reading

James 3:13-4:8

Pew Bible, NT pg. 216

Sermon

Draw Near to God

Dr. Dan DeBevoise

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

(page 17 Glory To God hymnal)

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Blessed is the Nation
Chancel Choir Leaders

Lloyd Larson

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn No. 450

Be Thou My Vision

Charge and Blessing

Choral Blessing

Amen

Franz Schubert

Postlude

Toccata
Will Benton, organist

Théodore Dubois

There will be a **congregational meeting**, today, **Sunday, September 19, 2021**, after worship, for the purpose of electing Deacons for Park Lake Presbyterian Church.

September Ushers are Justin Ingram, John Bowers, John Rogers, Vicky Nicoll and Mark Sonderman.
September Greeter is Doug Lawton.

THE WORD

457 How Happy Are the Saints of God

(Psalm 1)

1 How hap - py are the saints of God who do not
2 Like deep - ly root - ed trees, they stand be - side an
3 While wick - ed ones are whisked a - way like straw be -

heed the wick - ed way; de - light - ing in the
ev - er - flow - ing stream. Their fruit is plen - ti -
fore the driv - ing wind, the saints are firm - ly

ho - ly Word they seek God's wis - dom night and day.
ful and good; their leaves are al - ways grow - ing green.
plant - ed still, and God will keep them to the end.

This paraphrase of Psalm 1 celebrates the permanence of God's way in contrast with the transience of wickedness. While the wicked are dried up and scattered, the holy people of God are rooted and nourished. They bear much good fruit and are blessed with an enduring legacy.

438 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de-mands.
 3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; sim - ply to thy cross I cling;
 4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when my eye - lids close in death,

Let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound - ed side which flowed
 Could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,
 na - ked, come to thee for dress, help - less, look to thee for grace;
 when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne,

be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse from guilt and make me pure.
 all for sin could not a - tone. Thou must save, and thou a - lone.
 foul, I to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

Though scholars discredit the story that this hymn was written when the author found shelter under a large rock during a thunderstorm, the popular appeal of that conjecture perhaps lies in the energy of this plea and the vividness of its imagery drawn from many biblical sources.

TEXT: Augustus M. Toplady, 1776, alt.
 MUSIC: Thomas Hastings, 1830, alt.


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THE WORD

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Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) Eb (G) Ab (D/F#) Eb/G (A7) Bb7 (D) Eb




1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) Bb (D) Eb (G) Ab (A) Bb




naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G) Ab (D) Eb (F#m7) Gm7 (G) Ab (A) Bb



thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm) Cm (D/F#) Eb/G (G) Ab (D) Eb



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.