

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 14, 2022

Building a community of faith unleashed into the world by the love of God.

**PLEASE NOTE: Words & Music to Hymns/Responses
are included at the end of the bulletin.**

Gathering Around the Word

Centering Meditation

by Bruce Wilkinson

One early spring Darlene and I moved with our family to the country. I noticed my neighbor hacking down a row of grapevines. Our family had visions of feasting on buckets of grapes in the fall. My neighbor wielded the biggest set of shears I'd ever seen and grape vines lay in heaps all around him. "You don't like grapes, I guess?" I said, trying to conceal my distress. "Love grapes" he said, "don't know much about grapes, do you?" I told him I particularly liked the promising look of this row of grapes when I bought the place. "Well son," he said, "we can either grow ourselves a lot of beautiful leaves filling up this whole fence line. Or we can have the biggest, juiciest, sweetest grapes you and your family have ever seen." He looked at me. "We just can't have both."

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Matters of Community

Prelude

Assurance

arr. by Pheobe Knapp

Call to Worship

One: We have been called to walk the faithful road and to choose the way of God's justice.

All: We are here because we believe strongly that our God is good and that we live in that goodness. We are here to proclaim our faith and to seek direction along this faith journey.

One: Come together, then, to be God's people. Follow Christ and listen for the good things that God has done. Rise up in praise and thanksgiving!

All: We will share with others the goodness that we have found in God. May our lives be an expression of that goodness.

Opening Hymn #177 (see below) I Will Come to You

Call to Reconciliation

One: Even when we have been too busy to notice, God has been constantly loving us and encouraging us to grow in the light of God's hope. We can trust God with our deepest confession.

Prayer of Confession

All: God of remembrance, do not forget your mercy. Remind us of your desire for us to share the fullness of life with all your children. We forget those who deserve our gratitude. We take our friendships too much for granted. We too often do not remember the right gesture until it is too late. Make us thankful and generous with all that has been given us. Restore us to the joy of your salvation. Inspire us that we may rightly remember the past by building a legacy of hope for those who follow us, that they also may know the goodness of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: There is no chasm that cannot be bridged, no loss that cannot be recovered, mistake that cannot be forgiven, no life that cannot be redeemed—by the grace of God in Christ Jesus!

Passing of Christ's Peace

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Please share the peace of Christ by waving to your neighbor, and call or text someone to share the peace of Christ with them as well.

Sung Response # 765 (see below) May the God of Hope Go with Us

Proclaiming the Word

Special Music

Helplessly Hoping

**by Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young
sung by Bill Miller and David Ziems**

Prayer for Illumination

One: O God of hope be with us so that we may savor your Word like food, like a treasure, like a love letter from God to us. Remind us we are listening in order to understand Someone. Help us to ponder what we hear and apply it to our present circumstances. Amen.

First Reading:

Psalm 80: 1-2, 8-19

Second Reading:

Isaiah 5: 1-7; 11: 1-5

Sermon

Choose Hope

Rev. Roger Scott Powers

Responding to the Word

Hymn # 734 (see below) Hope of the World

Mission Focus

NAMI – National Alliance on Mental Illness

Brandon Estrada

Invitation to the Offering

One: Fruitful God of the vine, help each one of us to produce a level of abundance worthy of You. We understand God wants more fruit from us so much that God actively tends our lives so we will keep moving up—helping us to grow from a barren branch to a productive branch, from an empty to an overflowing basket.

Offertory

Response #5 (see below) God the Sculptor of The Mountains (v.3)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

All: Thank you God for pruning; for cutting away immature commitments and lesser priorities to make room for even greater abundance for God's glory. Thank you for letting us look at the branch in Jesus' hand on the last night with his disciples. The disciples knew exactly what He meant by pruning. Vineyards have been a symbol of God's generous provision for Israel for almost two thousand years. God must first cut away parts of our lives that drain precious time and energy from what's truly important. Thank you for the grape basket that is starting to fill with abundance.

Prayers of the People (*from joys and concerns emailed to Pastor Roger through the week*)

The Lord's Prayer

All: Loving God, holy be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

Closing Hymn #340 (see below)

This is My Song

Postlude

Eventide (1864)

**by Franz Strauss
James Patrick, euphonium**

Charge and Benediction

One: ...and let the people say:

All: Alleluia! Amen.

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Landscaping	Touch Holiness, Resources for Worship edited by Ruth
Josh Lopez	C. Duck and Maren C Tirabassi. United Church Press,
Custodian	1990.
Georgia Benavidez	

I Will Come to You You Are Mine

Leader or All
A D A E

1 "I will come to you in the si - lence;
2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less;
3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,
(4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom; I

F#m D Esus E

I will lift you from all your fear.
I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the
heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
am the peace the world can - not give.

A D C# F#m

You will hear my voice; I claim you as my choice. Be
shad - ows of the night, I will be your light. I
All the blind will see; the lame will all run free, and
I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand

Bm A D Esus E Esus E

still and know I am here. (to stanza 2)
Come and rest in me. (to Refrain)
all will know my name. (to Refrain)
up, now walk and live! (to Refrain)

Refrain All
A D E F#m7 D

Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by

Esus E A D E F#m F#m7

name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I

D Esus E A E D E A E D E

love you and you are mine." 4 "I

Presuming to speak in the voice of God, as this song does, can only be done with integrity if the singers understand their words as an expression of what they believe about God's nature and God's intentions. It is an occasion for affirming faith, not for wishful thinking.

May the God of Hope Go with Us 765

Song of Hope / Canto de esperanza



May the God of hope go with us ev - ery day, fill - ing all our
¡Dios de la es - pe - ran - za, da - nos go - zo y paz! Al mun - do en



lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of jus - tice speed us
cri - sis, ha - bla tu ver - dad. Dios de la jus - ti - cia, mán - da -



on our way, bring - ing light and hope to ev - ery land and race.
nos tu luz, luz y es - pe - ran - za en la os - cu - ri - dad.



Pray - ing, let us work for peace; sing - ing, share our joy with all;
O - re - mos por la paz, can - te - mos de tu a - mor.

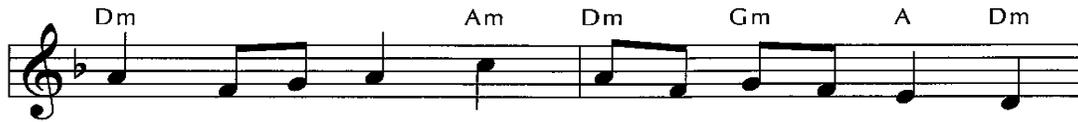


work - ing for a world that's new, faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.
Lu - che - mos por la paz, fie - les a ti, Se - ñor.

This Argentine folk melody sets Spanish and English words, both created by a PC(USA) missionary with much Latin American experience. The two versions complement each other: the Spanish text offering a prayer to God, and the English one providing inspiration for the singers.

Hope of the World

734



1 Hope of the world, thou Christ of great com - pas - sion:
 2 Hope of the world, God's gift from high - est heav - en,
 3 Hope of the world, a - foot on dust - y high - ways,
 4 Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us
 5 Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death vic - to - rious,



speak to our fear - ful hearts by con - flict rent;
 bring - ing to hun - gry souls the bread of life:
 show - ing to wan - dering souls the path of light:
 from death and deep de - spair, from sin and guilt:
 who by this sign didst con - quer grief and pain:



save us, thy peo - ple, from con - sum - ing pas - sion,
 still let thy Spir - it un - to us be giv - en
 walk thou be - side us lest the tempt - ing by - ways
 we ren - der back the love thy mer - cy gave us;
 we would be faith - ful to thy gos - pel glo - rious;



who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.
 to heal earth's wounds and end our bit - ter strife.
 lure us a - way from thee to end - less night.
 take thou our lives and use them as thou wilt.
 thou art our Lord! Thou dost for - ev - er reign!

This winning entry by a groundbreaking woman theologian was selected from over five hundred others in a search for a hymn to be used at the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Evanston, Illinois, in October 1954. The theme of the assembly was "Jesus Christ, Hope of the World."

God the Sculptor of the Mountains 5



1 God the sculp - tor of the moun - tains, God the
 2 God the nui - sance of the Pha - raoh, God the
 3 God the dress - er of the vine - yard, God the
 4 God the un - ex - pect - ed in - fant, God the



mill - er of the sand, God the jewel - er of the
 cleav - er of the sea, God the pil - lar in the
 plant - er of the wheat, God the reap - er of the
 calm, de - ter - mined youth, God the ta - ble - turn - ing



heav - ens, God the pot - ter of the land:
 dark - ness, God the bea - con of the free:
 har - vest, God the source of all we eat:
 proph - et, God the res - ur - rect - ed truth:



you are womb of all cre - a - tion;
 you are fount of all de - liv - erance;
 you are host at ev - ery ta - ble;
 you are pres - ent ev - ery mo - ment;



we are form - less; shape us now.
 we are aim - less; lead us now.
 we are hun - gry; feed us now.
 we are search - ing; meet us now.

Despite the great sweep of these stanzas, each one ends by describing how our human condition needs God's help: formless, aimless, hungry, searching. Each of these adjectives is followed by a related three-syllable petition: shape us now, lead us now, feed us now, meet us now.

This Is My Song

1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
 3 This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king - doms:

a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
 and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
 thy king - dom come; on earth thy will be done.

This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
 But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
 Let Christ be lift - ed up till all shall serve him,

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
 and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.
 and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

The first two stanzas of this hymn were written between the 20th century's two world wars and focus on the theme of international peace. The third stanza, by another author and added later, uses the language of the Lord's Prayer to voice a distinctly Christian perspective.

TEXT: Stanzas 1-2, Lloyd Stone; stanza 3, Georgia Harkness, alt.

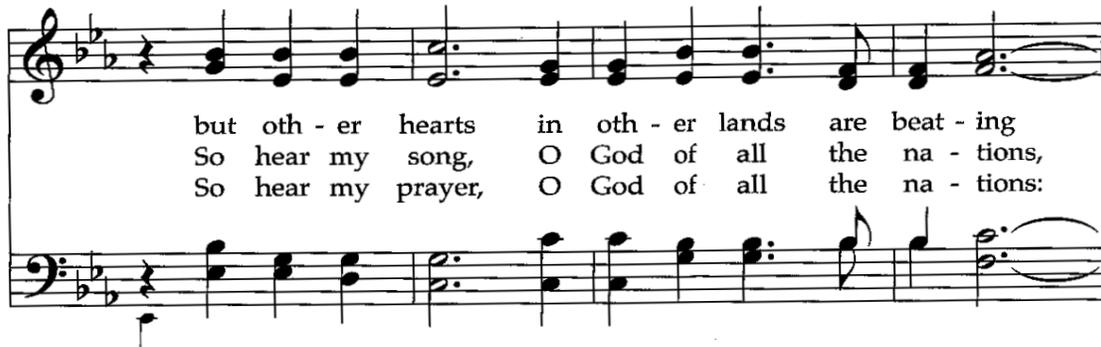
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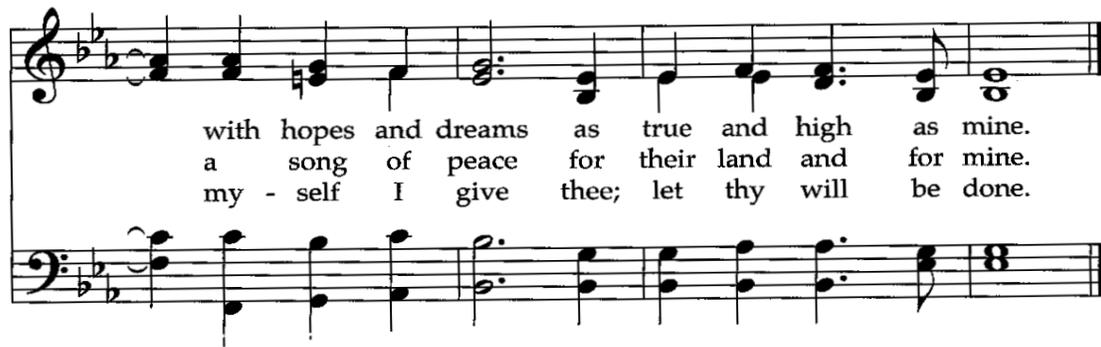
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THE LIFE OF THE NATIONS



but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions:



with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
a song of peace for their land and for mine.
my - self I give thee; let thy will be done.