A Personal Worship Experience from First (Park) Congregational Church United Church of Christ

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 18, 2021

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR JULY 18, 2021 PERSONAL WORSHIP EXPERIENCE @ PARK CHURCH

Gathering Music and Centering Prayer

rayer Park Church String Quartet-in-Residence Sicut Cervus(As the Deer) Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

When can I go and meet with God?

My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me all day long,

"Where is your God?"

These things I remember as I pour out my soul: how I used to go to the house of God under the protection of the Mighty One with shouts of joy and praise among the festive throng.

Why, my soul, are you downcast?

Why so disturbed within me?

Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise my Savior and my God.

By day the Lord directs God's love, at night God's song is with me—a prayer to the God of my life.

~ Psalm 42:1-8

Greeting and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Patrick Coyle

Prelude

Phyllis Ann Miner, organ Little Prelude Johann Georg Albrechtsberger (1736-1809)

Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Patrick Coyle

Opening Hymn

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore Tune: PESCADOR DES HOMBRES (recorded January 21, 2018)

Lord, you have come to the lakeshore looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones; you only asked me to follow humbly.

Refrain

O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me, and while smiling have spoken my name; now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me.

By your side I will seek other seas.

You know so well my possesions; my boat carries no gold and no weapons; you will find there my nets and labor. (Refrain)

You need my hands, full of caring, through my labors to give others rest and constant love that keeps on loving. (Refrain)

You, who have fished other oceans, ever longed for by souls who are waiting, my loving friend, as thus you call me: (Refrain)

Opening Prayer

Rev. Dr. Patrick Coyle

Bruce Robey, tenor Phyllis Ann Miner, piano *Give Me Jesus* Moses Hogan

In the mornin' when I rise, give me Jesus. Give me Jesus, you may have all this world, Give me Jesus.

> Dark midnight was my cry... Oh, when I come to die...

Nobody but Jesus,
Oh, you may have all of this world,
Give me Jesus.

The Scripture Readings Laurie Velzen, liturgist

Genesis 33:1-11 Matthew 18:21-35

Prayers of the People/Our Savior's Prayer Rev. Dr. Riley Jensen

The Sermon Rev. Dr Riley Jensen

"Forgiveness Can't Be Faked"

Response Phyllis Ann Miner, organ *Meditation*

John Stainer (1840-1901)

Closing Hymn

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

Tune: CANONBURY

(recorded January 14, 2018)

Lord, speak to me that I may speak in living echoes of your tone. As you have sought, so let me seek your erring children lost and lone. O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wandering and the wavering feet. O feed me, Lord, that I may feed your hungering ones with manna sweet.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious truths which you impart. And wing my words that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

O fill me with your fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflow in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

O use me, Lord, use even me, just as you will, and when, and where until your blessed face I see, your rest, your joy, your glory share.

Our Common Commission

Rev. Dr. Patrick Coyle

Let us now go forth into the world in peace; being of good courage; holding fast to that which is good; rendering to no one evil for evil; strengthening the faint hearted; supporting the weak; helping the afflicted; honoring all people; loving and serving the Lord and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Postlude

Phyllis Ann Miner, organ The Golden Trumpet Lani Smith



SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Dr. Patrick Coyle, worship leader, minister of music
Rev. Dr. Riley Jenson, interim preaching minister

Laurie Velzen, liturgist
Steven B. Smith, principal organist
Phyllis Ann Miner, music associate, piano and organ
Bruce Robey, tenor
The Park Church String Quartet-in-Residence

An Open and Affirming Congregation

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Statement of Welcome and Inclusion

As Jesus demonstrated by his life and teachings, we fully value and welcome all people into the life of Park Church, regardless of beliefs or doubts, age, color, gender identity, sexual orientation, physical, mental, or emotional ability, or economic status. In fact, we value and celebrate the rich diversity of all God's creation.

Our Vision

To build a community of relentless compassion and courageous hope where all are seen and known, and the God of extravagant love is revealed.

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