

Sunday Morning Worship
 Emmanuel Presbyterian Church
 June 13, 2021

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Welcome and Announcements

EPC will resume worship in our sanctuary as of Sunday, July 11!! Plan to wear a mask and sit two seats away from any other family group. We are working on the technology so some can continue to worship from home.

Sundays at 9:45, the book group is discussing Clint Smith's *How the Word is Passed, A Reckoning with the History of Slavery in America*. "Monticello Plantation" for this week, "Whitney Plantation" for June 20.

We have made the decision to allow some of our community groups back into the building. AA will be meeting again, starting tonight, and Al-Anon will probably be back in a few weeks on Sunday evenings as well.

Prelude "Sarabande" by Claude Debussy, from the suite "Pour le piano"
 Debussy captures brilliantly the stately and ceremonious character of Iberian courtly dancing of previous eras in this piece, without pastiche; in fact, when he composed this, the harmonies would have been considered very "modern."

Opening Prayer

Liturgist: Jim Mattis

All glorious God, we give you thanks:
 in your Son, Jesus Christ,
 you have given us every spiritual blessing
 in the heavenly realms.
You chose us, before the world was made,
to be your holy people, without fault in your sight.
You adopted us as your children in Christ.
You have set us free and you have forgiven our sins.
 You have made known to us your secret purpose,
 to bring heaven and earth into unity in Christ.
 You have given us your Holy Spirit,
 the seal and pledge of our inheritance.

**All praise and glory be yours, O God,
for the richness of your grace,
for the splendor of your gifts,
for the wonder of your love.**

—based on Ephesians 1:3-18

Hymn #278

“Come Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire”

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Knowing that nothing is able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus,
we freely confess our sin.

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
God forgives and is eager to show us the way
to amend our ways and direct what we shall become.

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Please unmute yourself and pass this greeting to one another.

*"The peace of Christ be with you," **“And also with you.”***

*(phone callers: you can unmute yourself by pressing *6)*

(liturgist, please unmute yourself before continuing with the service)

Offering

Even as we miss being gathered together for worship, we are still making offerings to support the work of God through Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, and take this moment to dedicate those offerings.

With thankfulness we give in gratitude and joy.

With prayerfulness we give in sacrifice and love.

With hopefulness we give in commitment to God.

Sung Doxology

Praise God whose love has made us one,

Praise Christ for new life now begun,

Praise Spirit who renews, uplifts,

Praise now the offering of these gifts.

Special Music

"Come, Thou Holy Spirit Bright"

arr. Christopher Wicks

Featuring bell soloist Cindy Gronbach; an arrangement of an ancient Pentecost hymn. The melody began its life as a medieval plainchant known as Veni Sancte Spiritus, continued through various Reformation adaptations such as the Lutheran Komm, heiliger Geist, Herre Gott, and now you hear it anew.

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds

by the power of your Holy Spirit,

that we may hear your Word with joy. Amen.

Homily

Peter 3: Staying Close to Jesus

Acts 2-3

Hymn #60

"Your Endless Love, Your Mighty Acts"

Prayers of Thanksgiving + Concern

For what and for whom do the people of God pray this day?

The Lord's Prayer

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.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Charge and Benediction

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
(Romans 15:13)

Prayers adapted from the Worship Sourcebook.

GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, our souls in - spire, and light - en
 2 Thy bless - ed unc - tion from a - bove is com - fort,
 3 Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son, and thee, of



with ce - les - tial fire; thou the a - noint - ing
 life, and fire of love; en - a - ble with per -
 both, to be but one, that through the a - ges



Spir - it art, who dost thy seven - fold gifts im - part.
 pet - ual light the dull - ness of our mor - tal sight.
 all a - long this may be our end - less song:



4 Praise to thine e - ter - nal mer - it, Fa - ther,



Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it. A - men.

This text, originally written in Latin in the 9th century, has had long and active use, both for Pentecost and for ordinations (where it has appeared in Anglican prayer books since 1662). Though created for an older hymn, this plainchant tune has set this text from earliest days.

TEXT: Attr. Rabanus Maurus, 9th cent.; trans. John Cosin, 1627, alt.

MUSIC: Plain song, Mode VIII; arr. Healey Willan, 20th cent.

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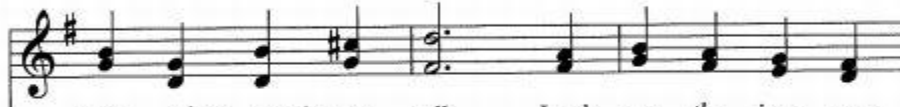
GOD'S COVENANT WITH ISRAEL

Your Endless Love, Your Mighty Acts 60

(Psalm 106)



1 Your end - less love, your might - y acts sur -
 2 Our reb - el fore - bears rare - ly grasped your
 3 Be - fore a gold - en calf they bowed— an
 4 But when they spurned the prom - ised land, you
 5 Yet those whom once you sold in wrath, in



pass what words can tell; Lord, may the joys your
 mer - cy or your might; we need your mer - cy,
 i - dol in your place!— un - til, by Mo - ses'
 made your an - ger plain: they wan - dered long on
 mer - cy you re - stored; may we, like them, be



peo - ple know be mine to share as well.
 just like them: we, too, do wrong not right.
 faith - ful prayer, you drew them back to grace.
 des - ert paths, and served the Baals a - gain.
 gath - ered in to thank and praise you, Lord.

The good news of this paraphrase of Psalm 106 is that God does not give up on us when we are disobedient. As the history of God's dealings with Israel demonstrates, divine mercy always outlasts human rebellion and waywardness. Though we rebel and stray, God's love is steadfast.

TEXT: Martin E. Leckebusch, 2006
 MUSIC: Jeremiah Clarke, 1707
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