



OUTSIDE ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 19th, 2021 10:00 am 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Rain Location: Bethel Sanctuary

* please stand - in body or in spirit *

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC(audio selection; music prerecorded)

WESTMINSTER CHIMES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTSPenny Lee, Worship Leader

WE APPROACH GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 1)Penny Lee

Leader: Happy are those who reject the advice of evil people, who do not follow the example of sinners or join those who have no use for God.

People: **Instead, they find joy in obeying the Law of the LORD, and they study it day and night.**

Leader: They are like trees that grow beside a stream, that bear fruit at the right time, and whose leaves do not dry up. They succeed in everything they do.

People: **But evil people are not like this at all; they are like straw that the wind blows away.**

Leader: Sinners will be condemned by God and kept apart from God's own people.

People: **The righteous are guided and protected by the LORD, but the evil are on the way to their doom.**

(please stand)

*OPENING HYMN "Jesus Loves Me!"
(see page 4 for text & music)
JoAnn Pendley, Keyboardist

* CALL TO CONFESSION (1 Peter 5:6-7)Penny Lee

Let us humble ourselves under the mighty hand of God, casting all our anxiety on the Lord, who cares for us. Trusting in God's grace; let us confess our sin.

(worship continues)

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)All
Merciful God; we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have failed to be a people fully obedient to Your commands; we have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love. Gracious God; Give us the love that you require of us. Fill our whole heart with love for you that becomes a whole hearted love for our neighbor.

* MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (1 Peter 5:10)Penny Lee
The God of all grace, who calls us to eternal glory in Jesus Christ, will restore, support, and strengthen us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
And all God's people joyfully say, "Amen".

(please be seated)

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATIONJill Webb, Ruling Elder

SCRIPTURE READINGSProverbs 31:10-31
.....James 3:13-4:3; 3, 7-8a
.....Mark 9:30-37
.....Jude 20-21

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Threads"
Jill Webb, Ruling Elder

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN OF REFLECTION "O Savior, in This Quiet Place"
(see page 5 for text & music)
JoAnn Pendley, Keyboardist

(please stand)

(worship continues)

* STATEMENT OF FAITH - APOSTLES CREED (unison)All

Let us confess the faith of our Baptism.

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.

(please be seated)

JOYS & CONCERNSPenny Lee

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)Jill Webb

... 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.

SENDING

(please stand)

*CLOSING HYMN "Live into Hope"
(see page 6 for text & music)
JoAnn Pendley, Keyboardist

* CHARGE & BENEDICTIONJill Webb

CLOSING MUSIC(audio selection; music prerecorded)

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THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR WORSHIP THIS MORNING!
HAVE A FABULOUS & BLESSED WEEK!

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Jesus Loves Me!

1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so.
 2 Je - sus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long a - go,

Lit - tle ones to him be - long. They are weak, but he is strong.
 tak - ing chil - dren on his knee, say - ing, "Let them come to me."

Refrain

Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!

Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

Few songs of faith have supported people from cradle to grave like this one. The great theologian Karl Barth said that its opening two lines were a summary of all that he had learned. The composer formed the refrain from those lines when creating this universally used tune.

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1 O Sav-ior, in this qui-et place, where an-y - one may kneel,
 2 If pain of bod-y, stress of mind, de-stroys my in-ward peace,
 3 If self up-on its sick-ness feeds and turns my life to gall,
 4 You nev-er said "You ask too much" to an-y trou-bled soul.

I al- so come to ask for grace, be- liev- ing you can heal.
 in prayer for oth- ers may I find the se- cret of re- lease.
 let me not brood up- on my needs, but sim- ply tell you all.
 I long to feel your heal- ing touch; will you not make me whole?

- 5 But if the thing I most desire
 is not your way for me,
 may faith, when tested in the fire,
 prove its integrity.
- 6 Of all my prayers, may this be chief:
 till faith is fully grown,
 Lord, disbelieve my unbelief,
 and claim me as your own.

This prayer for healing was written for the ecumenical St. Barnabas Counseling Centre in Norwich, England. As hymns often do, it provides a model for how to pray honestly but not selfishly. It is set to a tune by an Anglican clergyman who wrote on scientific and musical matters.

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1 Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed, of sight re -
 2 Live in - to hope! The blind shall see with in - sight
 3 Live in - to hope of lib - er - ty, the right to
 4 Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed from chains of

gained, the end of greed. The op-pressed shall be the
 and with clar - i - ty, re - mov - ing shades of
 speak, the right to be, the right to have one's
 fear or want or greed. God now pro - claims our

first to see the year of God's own ju - bi - lee!
 pride and fear, a vi - sion of our God brought near.
 dai - ly bread, to hear God's word and thus be fed.
 full re - lease to faith and hope and joy and peace.

This text on Luke 4:16–20, the author's first, was written for the United Presbyterian Women's National Meeting in July 1976 because the team planning worship could not find a suitable hymn on that passage. She wrote the words with this vigorous 18th-century tune in mind.