SERVICE OF THE WORD THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

First United Methodist Church, Houston | Downtown Campus Traditional Service June 9, 2024 | 11:00 am | Sanctuary

PRELUDE To God Be the Glory arr. by Joel Raney

*CALL TO WORSHIP To God Be the Glory (v. 1 & R)

UMH 98

To God be the glory, great things he hath done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the lifegate that all may go in.

Refrain: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

*WELCOME Rev. Dr. Eric Pugh

*HYMN OF WELCOME O Worship the King

UMH 73

O worship the King, all glorious above,
O gratefully sing God's power and God's love;
our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space, whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is God's path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, thy power hath founded of old; hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree, and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail; thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH Texas Annual Conference Rev. Dr. Eric Pugh

OFFERING PRAYER Rev. Dr. Eric Pugh

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD Congregation

MINISTRY IN MUSIC Hallelujah, Thine the Glory arr. Mary McDonald Sanctuary Choir

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah, Amen! Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah! Amen. Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Revive us again. We praise Thee, O God! for the Son of Thy love.

For Jesus who died and is now gone above. We praise Thee, O God! For Thy spirit of light, who has shown us our Savior, and scattered our night.

Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah! Amen. Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Revive us again. All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain,

Who has borne all our sins and has cleansed every stain.
Revive us again, fill each heart with Thy love.
May each soul be rekindled with fire from above.
Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah! Amen.
Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Revive us again.
Hallelu, Hallelujah! Amen. Revive us again! Amen!

*OFFERING RESPONSE Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

UMH 95

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

UMH 881

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory Be to the Father

UMH 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

TIME FOR CHILDREN (LIVE)

Courtney Hutchins

*HYMN OF PREPARATION All Creatures of Our God and King

UMH 62

(vs. 1-5, 7)

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing,

O praise ye! Alleluia!

O brother sun with golden beam,

O sister moon with silver gleam!

Refrain: O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O brother wind, air, clouds, and rain, by which all creatures ye sustain, O praise ye! Alleluia! Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening find a voice! (repeat refrain)

O sister water, flowing clear, make music for thy Lord to hear, Alleluia! Alleluia! O brother fire who lights the night, providing warmth, enhancing sight, (repeat refrain)

Dear mother earth, who day by day unfoldest blessings on our way, Alleluia! Alleluia! The flowers and fruits that in thee grow, let them God's glory also show! (repeat refrain)

All ye who are of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,
O praise ye! Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
praise God and on him cast your care! (repeat refrain)

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise ye! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One! (repeat refrain)

*SCRIPTURE Isaiah 40:10-14, 18-31 Rev. Lance Richards

The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Maker of Heaven and Earth Rev. Lance Richards

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Dr. Eric Pugh

THE LORD'S PRAYER (SPOKEN)

Rev. Dr. Eric Pugh

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE ALTAR

Rev. Lance Richards

UMH 144

*HYMN OF BLESSING This is My Father's World

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears

all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought

of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,

the morning light, the lily white; declare their maker's praise.

This is my Father's world: he shines in all that's fair;

in the rustling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget

that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father's world: why should my heart be sad?

The Lord is King; let the heavens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad!

*STEP FORWARD IN FAITH

Rev. Dr. Eric Pugh

*BENEDICTION Rev. Lance Richards

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE We Believe in One True God (V. 1)

UMH 85

We believe in one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, ever present help in need, praised by all the heavenly host; by whose mighty power alone all is made and wrought and done.

POSTLUDE Sinfonia by J. S. Bach

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar today are given in loving memory of Charlie Estes by his daughter Ruthie.

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^{*}Please stand as you are able.