

CELEBRATING THE SABBATH
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 2020 at 10 o'clock



I have been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go.

Abraham Lincoln, U.S. President

PRELUDE

Flauto Dolce

Fred B. Binks

SHARING OUR WELCOME VIRTUALLY

WE COME TO WORSHIP

One: Gather around in this online space,
you are welcome here,
and you will hear Good News.

All: **In a world
where there are so many
discouraging and negative voices**

One: it is the God of encouragement
who will speak to you today.
The God of Jesus Christ.

All: **We enter into this time set aside for worship,
letting world weariness roll away.
We Lift up our hearts, to listen.**

ad. Ann Siddall, *Stillpoint Spirituality Centre and Faith Community*

HYMN

Come and Find the Quiet Center

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Join as you are able!

**Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.**

**In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain:
there's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare!**

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name.

– Gregorian Sacramentary (6th century), *alt.*

A MOMENT FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Amie Giguere

SELECTION

Through the Love of God Our Saviour
Greg Wilfrid

Welsh Folksong,
Text by Mary Bowley Peters

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 8: 26-39

Jane Cave

SERMON

All Things Working Together

Erica Avena

A TIME OF PRAYER

Amie Giguere

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.

RESPONDING WITH OUR GIFTS

Offertory

Adagio

Antonio Vivaldi

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Doxology, Words: Hymnal, No. 47; Tune: Hymnal, No. 46

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

HYMN

Creator God, Creating Still

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Join as you are able!

**Creator God, creating still, by will and word and deed,
create a new humanity to meet the present need.**

**Great Trinity, for this new day we need your presence still.
Create, redeem, sustain us now to do your work and will.**

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Rex Gloriae

Franz Josef Haydn