

MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, June 6, 2021, 10:30 a.m.
Second Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome and Greeting

Prelude: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (Edward Perronet and Oliver Holden, arr. John Rippon)

Opening Sentences

Hymn 481: "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord and precious, Binding all the Church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever, And her confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call Thee, Come, O Lord of hosts, today!
With Thy wonted loving kindness Hear Thy people as they pray;
And Thy fullest benediction Shed within its walls always.

Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants What they ask of Thee to gain:
What they gain from Thee forever With the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in Thy glory Evermore with Thee to reign.

Laud and honor to the Father, Laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, Ever Three and ever One;
One in might, and One in glory, While unending ages run.

Opening Prayer

Special Music: "It Is Well With My Soul" (Philip P. Bliss, arr. Sandra Eithun)

A Time for Recognition

Giving and Receiving of Our Gifts

Doxology

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Special Music: "Amazing Grace" (John Newton, arr. Jack Schrader)

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 122

I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!' Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly together. To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord. For there the thrones for judgment were set up, the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: 'May they prosper who love you. Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers.' For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, 'Peace be within you.' For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good.

Sermon: "I WAS GLAD WHEN THEY SAID. . ."

Hymn 294: "God Binds Us With a Mighty Cord"

God binds us with a mighty cord, We seldom feel or see;
This tie, with our creating Lord, Links all eternally.
Each life, a thread joined in the whole, Our gathered destinies;
So God, the Weaver, knits our souls In one great tapestry.

In trying times, God's steadfast light Shines on a world in need,
And leads all people to unite, With healing words and deeds.
We yearn to feel the Spirit then, Find God in tragedy;
Thus, strangers transform into friends, In holy unity.

The face of evil we perceive In desp'rate deeds and crimes,
Lies deep in all humanity; Our burden throughout time.
Will dark seeds bloom or dormant lie? The choice, each soul's to make;
The void of night, or mercy's light, Where patiently God waits.

As followers of countless ways, Yet children of one Lord,
Diverse commandments we obey, Responding to God's word.
Still praise we all the Lord of Life, So many voices heard,
To claim again this fragile tie That unifies our world.

For God maintains no border lines, To limit each one's place,
But cherishes a grand design, Transcending nation, race.
All life comes from this holy source, One God through time and space;
One Author, who alone brings forth Lives drawn in lines of grace.

Benediction

Benediction Response 578 (v. 2): "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

With praise and thanksgiving to You ever living, the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face, our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring, embracing Your children of each tribe and race. With Your feast You feed us; with Your light now lead us. Unite us as one in this life that we share. Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

Today's Participants: Rev. Mark McCormick, DeeAnn McCormick, Gail Sawyer, Barb Fuller, Jerry Fuller, Roger Kennedy, Ann McClelland, Shannon Quinn, Gina Patton, Lorraine Finison