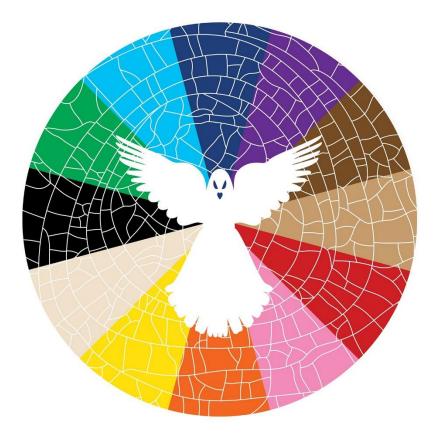
OPEN TO ALL



MYERS PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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The Worship of God

The 6th Sunday of Pentecost

June 30, 2024 | 10:00a

Inspired by the bold and boundless hospitality of Jesus, we are "open to all," which means we welcome and accept all people into the life of our Church without regard to race, gender, sexual orientation, age, economic status, political affiliation, physical or mental capacity, or religious belief. We believe that God's call is given to all people, and we embrace the Spirit that continues to cross boundaries in order to unite the world.

Childcare is available for children ages birth – kindergarten. Please see a greeter for more information.

Worship activities for children are available in the Narthex.

Prelude

"Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen"
"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Linda McKechnie, Piano arr. McKechnie arr. McKechnie

Call to Worship and Invocation

J. Kevin Gray

*Opening Hymn

"All Creatures of Our God and King"
All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam!

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Refrain:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n along, O sing ye! Alleluia!
Thou rising moon, in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice! [Refrain]

And everyone of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part, O sing ye! Alleluia! Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and cast on God your care!

Welcome of Our Guests Rev. Katie Suddeth

If you are our guest today, please text "guest" to 980.340.8900 so we may offer you our gratitude for joining us today.

*Passing of the Peace

^{*}Please rise in body or in spirit.

The Gospel Reading – Mark 5:21-43 (NRSV)

Mckenzie Coleman

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him, and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue, named Jairus, came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years.

She had endured much under many physicians and had spent all that she had, and she was no better but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his cloak, I will be made well." Immediately her flow of blood stopped, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my cloak?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, some people came from the synagogue leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the synagogue leader, "Do not be afraid; only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the synagogue leader's house, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. Taking her by the hand, he said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl stood up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this and told them to give her something to eat.

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture,

for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.

People: Thanks be to God.

As the song begins, 1st – 5th graders are invited to leave for Children's Worship.

They will exit at the front of the Sanctuary with Children's Worship leaders.

Parents can pick up children from room 210 in the education building between 11-11:15.

*Sermon Hymn

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

BEACH SPRING

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty. But we make God's love too narrow by false limits of our own, and we magnify its strictness with a zeal God will not own.

For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind, and the heart of the eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more simple, we should rest upon God's word, and our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.

Sermon Rev. Dr. Ben Boswell

Madeline Beitel

arr. William Gaither

"There is Enough"

Musical Reflection

"He Touched Me"

Shackled by a heavy burden, 'neath a load of guilt and shame; then the hand of Jesus touched me, and now I am no longer the same.

Refrain:

He touched me, oh, He touched me, and oh, the joy that floods my soul; something happened, and now I know, he touched me and made me whole.

Since I met this blessed Savior, since He cleansed and made me whole; I will never cease to praise Him, I'll shout it while eternity rolls. [Refrain]

Church at Prayer Rev. Katie Suddeth

The Lord's Prayer

Our God who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Invitation to Offering Rev. Katie Suddeth

There are several ways to give: scan the QR code below, go to pushpay.com/g/myersparkbaptist, or drop your offering in the plate.



Offertory Anthem

"Let the Praise Go Round"

Chancel Choir

arr. Hal Hopson

"Let the Praise Go Round"
Hallelujah!
Sing and rejoice.
O, praise the Lord.
Let the sound go round;
let our praise abound.
Singing evermore Hallelujah!

*Presentation of Gifts and the Doxology

All Earthly things, all things above, Sing praise for God's amazing love. In one great chorus, all your days, Creator, Christ, and Spirit praise! Amen. OLD HUNDREDTH text: Paula W. M. Testerman

*Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Katie Suddeth

*Closing Hymn

"Abundant Life"

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING , text: Ruth Duck

We cannot own the sunlit sky, the moon, the wild flow'rs growing, for we are part of all that is within life's river flowing, with open hands receive and share the gifts of God's creation, that all may have abundant life in every earthly nation.

When bodies shiver in the night and, weary, wait for morning, when children have no bread but tears, and war-horns sound their warning. God calls humanity to wake, to join in common labor, that all may have abundant life in oneness with their neighbor.

God calls humanity to join as partners in creating a future free from want and fear, life's goodness celebrating, that new world beckons from afar, invites our shared endeavor, that all may have abundant life and peace endure forever.

Benediction Rev. Dr. Ben Boswell

Postlude

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Linda McKechnie, piano arr. Limbaugh

Following worship, members are invited to stay for a Congregational Meeting in the sanctuary.

This will take the place of Sermon Talk Back.

If you are our guest today, please connect with a minister after worship and receive a Welcome bag.

Audio/Video Team Members are Wes Cobb, Joe Kuhlmann, Hannah Combs, Eric Roberts, and volunteers.



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HOW TO JOIN MYERS PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Becoming a member of Myers Park Baptist is as simple as filling out a Joining Card. To receive a card or learn more, contact Rev. Marina Luckhoo at mluckhoo@myersparkbaptist.org.



Our Covenant

We, the members of the Myers Park Baptist Church, are a people on a journey of faith. By God's grace we are experiencing love through Jesus Christ and in the community of the faithful. We are discovering in this experience our freedom to become new creatures and our responsibility to be faithful stewards of our lives and of this world.

We will be open to all new light, strengthened by God and each other in our faith. We will sustain a critical examination of Scripture, belief and ritual as interpreters of God's active presence in the world. We will accept controversy as a reality of life together and an opportunity for growth toward maturity. We covenant to be a community of God's New Creation and affirm that we are open to all and closed to none.

We covenant together to nurture this church as a community of faith and as an instrument for reconciliation in the world: by worship, by Christian education, by the dedication of our personal and material resources and by all the other ways we express the significance of our lives with God and one another.

We covenant together to be priests celebrating God's presence in community and in the world, believing we are participants in God's kingdom on Earth.

OUR MINISTERS

Rev. Dr. Benjamin Boswell
Senior Minister

Rev. Carrie Veal
Executive Minister

Rev. Tara GibbsAssociate Minister of Spiritual Growth

J. Kevin Gray
Minister of Music & Worship

Rev. Katie SuddethInterim Associate Minister

Rev. Marina LuckhooInterim Associate Minister





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