



**NORTHRIDGE
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

August 7, 2022

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August 7, 2022 10:00 a.m.

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

Chiming of the Hour

Introit

Welcome

Master, The Tempest Is Raging

H.R. Palmer

PREPARING FOR GOD'S WORD

✦ *indicates an invitation to rise in body or spirit*

✦ Call to Worship

Friends, be strong and do not fear, for we are in the presence of God.

Waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert.

The burning sand shall become a pool and the thirsty ground springs of water.

God brings forth abundance where before there was scarcity.

There is nothing that is impossible with God.

We are gathered to share God's blessings with one another.

Come, let us worship God.

✦ Gathering Hymn #183 *Come to Me, O Weary Traveler*

AUSTIN

Prayer of Confession

God, we confess that we do not always understand Your ways.

We are easily discouraged when life takes unexpected turns and our carefully laid plans and dreams come to nothing. We confess that we are quick to give up when things get difficult, and quick to question Your presence and Your power.

silence for personal confession

Forgive us.

Grant us patience to wait for Your good timing.

Open our eyes to recognize Your leading in our lives—to listen for Your gentle whisper when we least expect it. And then give us courage to step out in faith and obedience, trusting in Your leading even when we cannot yet see the outcome. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

✦ Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Young children are invited to Room 117 for songs, stories, and playtime.

✦ Gloria Patri

**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.**

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:22-33

N.T. p.16

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Holy Curiosity: Sea Stories

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Callender

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

✦ Affirmation of Faith

from *The Confession of 1967*

**The one sufficient revelation of God is Jesus Christ, the Word of God incarnate,
to whom the Holy Spirit bears unique and authoritative witness through Holy
Scriptures, which are received and obeyed as the word of God written. The
Scriptures are not a witness among others, but a witness without parallel.**

✦ Affirmation Response

Hymn #69, vs. 3 & refrain

**I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

**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.**

Communion of the Lord's Supper

Post-Communion Prayer

Call To Give

(To give via text, send a text message to [1-844-958-4345](tel:1-844-958-4345) with the amount of the gift.
If you pledge, this offering will be applied to your pledge.)

Offertory *Jesus Walking on the Water* Gorgon Gano
Stephen Swart, tenor; Tom Ellis, harmonica; Will Ash, baritone saxophone

✦ Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; One holy God, whom we adore. Amen.**

✦ Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

✦ Sending Hymn #498 *Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken* BEACH SPRING

✦ Charge and Benediction

**Go out into God's world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good;
return to no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted;
support the weak; help the suffering; honor all persons;
love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

Closing Voluntary *Rigaudon* A. Campra

Leading worship today:

Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Callender, Director of Ministry Development, Grace Presbytery
Savannah Shivers, Dickson Pastoral Resident
Bryan Page, Director of Music
Shirley Latham, Guest Organist
Sarah Bennett, Director of Communications
Marti Baker, Lay Reader

A FEW NOTES ON WORSHIP

The flowers are given to the glory of God by Gloria Young in appreciation of the Northridge congregation and in memory of her good friend, Ida Koons.

Summer Sermon Series: Holy Curiosity

This summer, we're exploring different types of literature in the Bible, especially those texts that are hard to make sense of or those that stir up doubt. Instead of approaching scripture as a puzzle to solve or a question demanding an answer, our hope is that by spending time with these scriptures we'll each begin to develop a holy curiosity, asking what of God is being revealed through even the difficult texts of our faith.

Want to learn more?

At Northridge, we believe that the church is a gift that everyone deserves to enjoy. The church is a community of people who are committed to doing life together – enduring life's heartaches and celebrating life's joys, seeking out laughter, pursuing a more just world, and following the path Jesus set out for us. If you think Northridge may be that community for you, please reach out to Rev. Betsy Swetenburg at betsys@northridgepc.org.



LIFE TOGETHER

Thrive

... because faith doesn't take a summer break. Use the handout in the bulletin to go deeper this week as you reflect, connect, and act on what you have heard in today's worship service. A children's version of this resource is available in the narthex along with children's Bibles if you need one. All of these resources and more are available on our website. The sermon is available on our YouTube channel or as a podcast on Spotify. There is also a playlist on Spotify inspired by today's scripture. Listen to the blend of sacred and secular music and be drawn deeper into today's scripture.

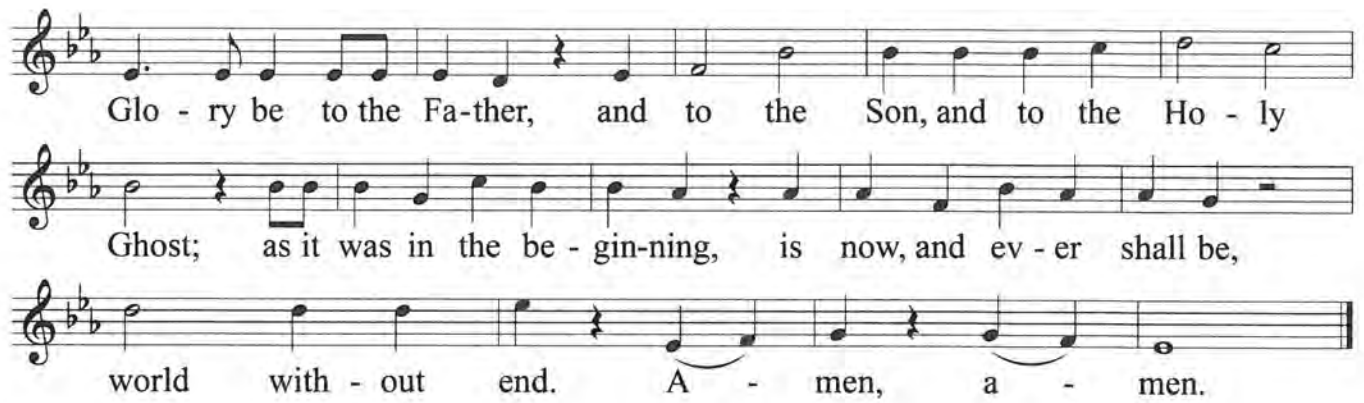
Drop-In Connection Hour

... will pick up the conversation this Sunday, August 7th at 9:00 a.m. in the Share Cafe. Join the conversation each week as we dig deeper into the scripture lesson using the Thrive resource that was written by our staff and volunteers.

A Sabbath Celebration – All Women Invited

Join Presbyterian Women in Northridge for a Sabbath Celebration luncheon on Sunday, August 21 immediately following worship. Reservations can be made online or by stopping by the sign up table in the Narthex after worship. Join us for great food, terrific fellowship, a brief installation of new officers, and a reveal celebration for two women receiving honorary life memberships. Curious about Presbyterian Women in Northridge? This is a great chance to meet the women who participate, hear about their small groups for the year, and sign up to join them!

✠ Gloria Patri



Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly
Ghost; as it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,
world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

✠ Doxology



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Christ, all crea - tures
here be - low; Praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more - One
ho - ly God, whom we a - dore. A - men.

Come to Me, O Weary Traveler 183



- 1 "Come to me, O wea - ry trav - eler; come to me with your dis - tress;
- 2 "Do not fear, my yoke is eas - y; do not fear, my bur - den's light;
- 3 "Take my yoke and leave your trou - bles; take my yoke and come with me.
- 4 "Rest in me, O wea - ry trav - eler; rest in me and do not fear.



come to me, you heav - y bur - dened; come to me and find your rest."
 do not fear the path be - fore you; do not run from me in fright."
 Take my yoke, I am be - side you; take and learn hu - mil - i - ty."
 Rest in me, my heart is gen - tle; rest and cast a - way your care."

This paraphrase and expansion of Matthew 11:28–30 by a Canadian minister is structured so that the first three syllables of each stanza provide the hymn's skeleton and summary. The immediacy of the text is enhanced by the folksong-like setting later composed for it.

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 MUSIC: William P. Rowan, 1992
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AUSTIN
 8.7.8.7

Calm to the Waves 184



The first half of this refrain text deals with the external environment, while the second half concerns our interior response. Similarly, the first half of the music gradually moves upward, while the direction of the second half is downward, enhancing a sense of centeredness.

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 MUSIC: Thomas Pavlechko, 2002
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CALM SEAS
 4.4.7.4.4.6

69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Here I Am, Lord

Leader or All

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est

made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain

All

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

498

Capo 3: (D) F (Bm) Dm (G) B \flat

1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the Gal - i -
 2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a qui - et
 3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in faith we
 4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your

(D) F (Bm) Dm

le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of Life from heav - en, was their
 room one night. In the bread and wine you gave them, Christ, you
 gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the a - ges: "I am
 name to share bread for which the mil - lions hun - ger, words that

(G) B \flat (D) F (A) C

food for - ev - er - more.
 came as Light from Light. By your bod - y bro - ken
 with you; do not fear!"
 tell your love and care.

(Bm) Dm (F \sharp m) Am (Bm) Dm (G) B \flat (A) C (D) F

for us, by your wine of life out-poured, Je - sus, feed a -

(Bm) Dm (G) B \flat (D) F

gain your peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The first two stanzas of this text deal with events in the past (the feeding of the multitude and the Last Supper) and the final two with events in the present. The recurring last four lines of each stanza serve as an affirmation of Christ's continuing presence at all times.

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