

Meeting David...Again

July 5, 2015

10:30 am

**Please stand in body or Spirit*

Announcements for the Good of the Community

PRELUDE *Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele (Deck Thyself, my soul)* - Johannes Brahms

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT *I Sing as I Arise Today* No. 83, vs 1

The image shows a musical score for a congregational introit. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "I sing as I arise to-day! I call on my Cre-a-tor's might: The will of God to be my guide, The eye of God to be my sight,". The first system covers the first line of lyrics, the second system covers the second line, and the third system covers the third line. The piano accompaniment is a simple harmonic support for the vocal line.

CALL to WORSHIP

One: For faith that lights our lives like fireworks against the night sky,

Many: **We enter into God’s amazing presence, the One who can still elicit our deepest “Oohs” and “Aahs”.**

One: For faith that calls us by name,

Many: **We attune our ears to hear God’s still speaking voice in this time.**

One: For faith that beckons us boldly to come into this time,

Many: **We respond with hearts and imaginations wide open.**

One: Let our worship this morning be grounded in grace and guided by love.

Many: **It is good to be here! Alleluia and Amen!**

*OPENING HYMN

America the Beautiful

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern, impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
Who more than self their country love, and mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

*OPENING PRAYER

Beckoning God, You called to Abraham and Sarah; You called to Moses and Miriam; You called to Deborah and Samuel, claiming and changing their lives. We open our hearts this morning to hear anew the story of David: a shepherd, psalm writer, and king. The story of David demonstrates both the braveness and boneheadedness of humanity. We pray in the coming weeks, David’s story might capture our hearts and speak to our lives in these days. When we shift uncomfortably with David’s life, let it shine a light on our own mistakes. When we cheer, let that connect to our own moments of feeling steeped in the sacredness of Your presences. When we are bored, remind us that faith is found in ordinary, everyday moments too. We pray all of this in the name of the One who is the shoot from the stump of David’s father, Jesse, Jesus our Christ. Amen.

*CONGREGATIONAL SONG RESPONSE

No. 759

Glo - ry to the Cre - a - tor, the Christ, the Ho - ly Spir - it,
Three - in - One; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is

(The congregation is invited to be seated and listen to the Postlude)

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS: GREETERS: Leonard Hoffman and Carol Jean Miller; **GUEST BOOK:** Priscilla Crumel; **USHERS:** Toska Strong, captain; Dottie Peterson, Richard and Deb Hays, Cheryl Beller; **SOUND SYSTEM;** **COFFEE HOUR HOST:** Caring for the Congregation; **CHURCH BUS DRIVER:** Jerry Oliver.

ALTAR FLOWERS, dedicated to the Glory of God, are given by Sara Little and Barbara Shaver celebrating the birth of our country and in honor of Sara's father's birthday on July 2.

Today's Scripture Reading: *1 Samuel 16:1-13:*

1 The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." 2 Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.'" 3 Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." 4 Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" 5 He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. 6 When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." 7 But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." 8 Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." 9 Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." 10 Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." 11 Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." 12 He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." 13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.