Thursday
Welcome and Worthy
July 4th, 2024

Preacher, Greg Broyles, “Known and Loved by God”

Stand for Gathering Music

You are all we have
You are all we have
You give us what we need
Our lives are in your hands Oh Lord
Our lives are in your hands

Come Thou Fount

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise mine Ebenezer
Hither by Thy help I'm come
And I hope by Thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wand'ring from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart Lord take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above

**For the Beauty of the Earth**

For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies.

Refrain: Lord of all to thee we raise. This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild.(Refrain)

For thy church, that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love.(Refrain)

**Because of Jesus**

When we listen for God at the start of the day
Let us do what we do because of Jesus
We’re following Jesus, who taught us to pray
Let us do what we do because of Jesus

When we take good care of our bodies and minds
Let us do what we do because of Jesus
We can make good use of God’s gifts and God’s time
Let us do what we do because of Jesus

When we make a mistake or get hurt by a friend
Let us do what we do because of Jesus
The forgiveness of Jesus knows no end
Let us do what we do because of Jesus
When we see friends and strangers who are in need  
Let us do what we do because of Jesus  
Jesus shows us the way, let us follow His lead  
Let us do what we do because of Jesus

**Hakuna Wakaita**

Hakuna wakaita sa Yesu  
Hakuna wakaita sa Ye  
Hakuna wakaita sa Yesu  
Haku-Haku-na wo

Da manya manya kwese kwese  
Da temberera kwese kwese  
Da tsvaga tsvaga kwese kwese  
Haku-u Haku-u na wo

There’s no one  
There’s no one like Jesus  
There’s no one  
There’s no one like Him

I’ve walked, I’ve walked  
here, there  
I’ve been around here, there  
I’ve searched I’ve searched  
here, there  
There’s no one  
There’s no one like Him

**Prelude**  
Arabesque No. 1 from Deux Arabesques  
Claude Debussy

Pianist: Jocelyn Watkins

**Announcements**  
Rhonda Pittman Gingrich

**Welcome Table & Centering**

[Two individuals are “setting a table” on stage. Seth and band respond with a song.]
Call to Worship  led by Felisha Diamond

Leader: God of marvelous light, in the light of your love we are made visible. You invite us to gather together at your table as you make us welcome and worthy.

**ALL: In God’s light we are seen, and we belong.**

Leader: You know us and are not put off or scared away by our messes, failures, or sins. Instead, you look with favor upon us and invite us to be known as your children.

**ALL: In God’s light we are known, and we belong.**

Leader: Our spirits rejoice because you have seen us, and you have known us and you love us. In response to this, we enter the light of your love in order to worship.

**ALL: In God’s light we are loved, and we belong**

Leader: May your Holy Spirit be present with us as we praise and worship you this evening.

Invocation Prayer

Time of Welcome

[The following four phrases are on the screen: You belong here, Plas ou isit la, Tu perteneces aquí, Ku na nan ne]

Stand for Time of Singing

**Woza**

Wo-za nom-thwa-lo wakho
Wo-za nom-thwa-lo wakho
Wo-za nom-thwa-lo wakho
U Jesu_a-ka so za thi hay

Come bring your burdens to God
Come bring your burdens to God
Come bring your burdens to God
For Jesus will never say no.
Faithful God

Faithful God, your Loving heart is always kind
Even when we run away
And have no one else
You find us where we are

You speak peace, to our fears and unbelief
When we are afraid
The faithful hands that made us
Remind us who we are

CHORUS
With your Word on our hearts and your Love on our lips
Give us courage, God Give us courage
To follow your movement wherever it is leading
Spirit lead us, Spirit lead us

BRIDGE
Hosanna Save us God
Hosanna Save us God

Here in this Place

1.
Here in this place, new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away.
See, in this space, our fears and our dreamings,
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in - the lost and forsaken,
gather us in - the blind and the lame.
Call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2.
We are the young - our lives are a mystery,
we are the old - who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in - the rich and the haughty,
gather us in - the proud and the strong.
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,  
give us the courage to enter the song.

3.
Here we will take the wine and the water,  
here we will take the bread of new birth.  
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,  
give us to eat the bread that is you.  
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

4.
Not in the dark of buildings confining,  
not in some heaven, light years away,  
but here in this place, the new light is shining;  
now is the Kingdom, now is the day.  
Gather us in - and hold us forever,  
gather us in - and make us your own.  
Gather us in - all peoples together,  
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Invitation to Give

Offering Prayer

Offertory  Pastorale on “The King of Love”  Jack C. Goode and Carol Parsons

Organist: Robin Risser Mundey

Choir Anthem  Child of God  Mark A. Miller

Choir Director: Julie Richard

Testimony  Betsy Kuecker

Video Testimony provided by Pine Lake

Stand for Song  Build my Life #8
Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

Chorus
Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

Bridge
I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Scripture Reading

S. Lucas 1:46-50

Entonces María dijo: Engrandece mi alma al Señor; Y mi espíritu se regocija en Dios mi Salvador. Porque ha mirado la bajeza de su sierva; Pues he aquí, desde ahora me dirán bienaventurada todas las generaciones. Porque me ha hecho grandes cosas el Poderoso; Santo es su nombre, Y su misericordia es de generación en generación A los que le temen.

Luke 1: 46-50

And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations
will call me blessed, for the Mighty One has done great things for me—holy is his name. His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation.

**Message**

*Affirmation... It Can Change the World!*

Greg Broyles Preaching

**Stand for Song of Response** *You are Salt for the Earth #40*

You are salt for the earth, O people,
salt for the city of God!
Share the flavor of life, O people:
life in the kingdom of God!

Bring forth the kingdom of mercy,
bring forth the kingdom of peace.
Bring forth the kingdom of justice,
bring forth the kingdom of God!

You are a light on the hill, O people,
light for the city of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
shine for the kingdom of God!

Bring forth the kingdom of mercy,
bring forth the kingdom of peace.
Bring forth the kingdom of justice,
bring forth the kingdom of God!

You are a seed of the word, O people,
bring forth the kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
grow in the kingdom of God!

Bring forth the kingdom of mercy,
bring forth the kingdom of peace.
Bring forth the kingdom of justice,
bring forth the kingdom of God!
Stand for Sending
Postlude

Excerpts from Prelude Op. 3 No. 2
Sergei Rachmaninoff

Pianist: Jocelyn Watkins

[You are invited to remain in place as our musicians share their gifts in praise of our
God.]

Leading in Worship

Preacher: Greg Broyles - Roanoke, Virginia – Virlina District - Germantown Brick Church
of the Brethren

Worship Leader: Felisha Diamond - Virlina District - Eden First Church of the Brethren

Jen Summy Denton, MD and a member of the Easton Church of the brethren

Seth Spire Hometown: Bridgewater, VA

Congregation: Sangerville CoB

Music Coordinator:

Seth Crissman - Harrisonburg, Virginia -

Organist:

Robin Risser Mundey - Frederick, Maryland – Mid-Atlantic District -

Pianist:

Jocelyn Watkins - East Peoria, Illinois

Musicians for the Week:

Greg Yoder

Amber T. Harris - Winston-Salem, North Carolina – Virlina District -

Jacob Crouse – Washington, D.C. – Mid-Atlantic District – Washington City COB

Beth Jarrett – Harrisonburg, VA – Shenandoah District – Staunton COB

Andy Duffey – Rocky Mount, Virginia – Virlina District – Pastor Antioch COB
Thursday Offering - Witness to the Host City: Kids’ Food Basket and Sleep in Heavenly Peace

This year we are supporting two organizations committed to caring for the well-being of children in the Grand Rapids community. **Kids’ Food Basket** believes that food is a right, not a privilege and works to break down barriers that cause food insecurity and to ensure a hunger-free West Michigan for all. Their services include a Sack Supper program, community-driven farming, family food provision, and educational programming. **Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP)** believes that a bed is a basic need that supports the physical, emotional, and mental well-being of children. Across the U.S., too many boys and girls go without a bed – or even a pillow – to sleep on. Sleep in Heavenly Peace is dedicated to building, assembling, and delivering top-notch bunk beds to children and families in need so that all children have a safe, comfortable place to lay their heads.

Checks to be made out to “Church of the Brethren” (with Witness to the Host City in the memo line) or give online