



June 23, 2024

PRELUDE *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot* Arr. Teresa Wilhelmi
 In Memory of Pat Nau

**OUTPOURING OF WATERS, PASSING CHRIST’S PEACE, TRINITY
RINGING, CHORAL PROCESSION**

Pastor Craig

CALL TO WORSHIP

Ron Darrah

We are a fearful folk, dwelling in the midst of fear-filled people, fearful of our world falling apart, of moral decay, of terrorism, fearful of too many dangers, toils and snares; fearful of not doing well, of being found out, of being left out, left behind, of being abandoned, afraid of our own shadow. Then we hear, astonishment, in the midst of our fearfulness, GOD’s clear “FEAR NOT, for I Am with you!” With you in success and failure, for better and worse. We thank you for the newness of our identity every morning, of your trust, our calling, though the earth should change and mountains shake in the heart of the sea.

CALL TO PRAYER

In Christ, GOD was reconciling the world to Godself, not counting their sins against them, entrusting to us the message of reconciliation through forgiveness.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Teach us, good LORD, to serve you as you deserve; to gift and not count the costs; to fight, without heeding the wounds; to toil not seeking rest, or to conquer; to labor, not seeking reward, save that of knowing we do your will. Pour out upon us, O GOD, the power and wisdom of your spirit, that we may walk with Christ the way of the cross, ready to offer even the gift of our lives, to demonstrate to the world our hope in your kingdom. Rescue people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us from doubts and unbelief, through Jesus Christ we pray. (Silent Prayer) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jesus said: Those who save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. Brothers and sisters, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

✠ **GLORIA PATRI**

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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.

Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know that I am with you.
Be still and know that I will comfort you when you come to Me
In your hour of need.

Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know that I am here for you;
and I will wipe your tears;
you will be renewed.

Come unto Me, My child, be still,
and know that I will give you rest.
I am present in your pain
and I always will remain your Comforter and Friend.

Peace I leave with you;
My peace, I give unto you.
Peace.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHORAL AMEN

BLESSINGS & HONORS

SCRIPTURE

I Samuel 17: 4-11, 42-47

A champion named Goliath, who was from Gath, came out of the Philistine camp. His height was six cubits and a span. He had a bronze helmet on his head and wore a coat of scale armor of bronze weighing five thousand shekels; on his legs he wore bronze greaves, and a bronze javelin was slung on his back. His spear shaft was like a weaver's rod, and its iron point weighed six hundred shekels. His shield bearer went ahead of him.

Goliath stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why do you come out and line up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not the servants of Saul? Choose a man and have him come down to me. If he is able to fight and kill me, we will become your subjects; but if I overcome him and kill him, you will become our subjects and serve us." Then the Philistine said, "This day I defy the armies of Israel! Give me a man and let us fight each other." On hearing the Philistine's words, Saul and all the Israelites were dismayed and terrified.

He looked David over and saw that he was little more than a boy, glowing with health and handsome, and he despised him. He said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come at me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. "Come here," he said, "and I'll give your flesh to the birds and the wild animals!"

David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the LORD Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This day the LORD will deliver you into my hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel. All those

gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the LORD saves; for the battle is the LORD's, and he will give all of you into our hands."

Mark 4: 37-41

A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

SERMON: "WHY SO AFRAID, HAVE YOU LOST FAITH?"

COMMISSIONING

✠ **HYMN** *Why Should I Feel Discouraged?* 661

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

In the Garden

C.A. Miles,
Arr. M. Hayes/M. Gaspard

****Please print your name in the fellowship register: Friendship Pads in the pews are a great way to meet your neighbor.***

***** If you have a special prayer request, please fill out the blue card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. There is also a box in the Narthex you may place it in as well. Our Pastors and Prayer Ministry Team will Pray for your request.***

⌄ **DOXOLOGY**

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

⌄ **HYMN**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God as our Creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.
With ev'ry step I take, let this be my solemn vow;



To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

✠ **POSTLUDE** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* Arr. McDonald

✠ **All those who are able, please stand**

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All Worship Services are available for replay on our website.

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FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY PROVIDED BY: Ed and Nancy Storey, in honor of their 54th Anniversary.

PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE IN THE HOSPITAL OR IN REHAB:
Tom Macfarlane and Rick Gentis.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, JUNE 24

- 9:00 a.m. Parkinson’s Chair Exercise – Charter Hall
- 1:00 p.m. Bible Reflections Bible study – Classroom 5
- 2:00 p.m. Valley Readers – Classroom 1

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

- 9:00 a.m. Cardio Drumming – Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 a.m. Prayer Ministry– Sweet Family Room

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26



9:00 a.m. Parkinson’s Chair Exercises – Charter Hall
 10:00 a.m. Chair Exercise Class—Charter Hall

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

No Activities, church is open.

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

9:00 a.m. Parkinson’s Chair Exercises—Charter Hall
 10:00 a.m. Food Prep Wedding - Kitchen
 1:00 p.m. Game Day—Charter Hall

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

4:00 p.m. Wedding – Spiritual Life Center
 4:30 p.m. Wedding Reception - Fellowship Hall

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
May-2024		Through Week 24 (6/16/24)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 53,444	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	170
Monthly Giving Budget	65,000	YTD 2024 Attendance Sanctuary	7,136
YTD Giving Support	344,254	Weekly Viewing On-Line	144
YTD Giving Budget	346,390	YTD 2024 Viewing On-Line	3,385
<i>S. Ginader - VPC treasurer - steveginader@gmail.com - 952-687-1879 2024 Per Capita is \$41.50 per member</i>			

WELCOME to all who enter this place. Drink deeply of the living waters of God’s grace as we worship together in spirit.

VISITORS: Consider yourself at home while you are here! Please enjoy a cup of coffee, lemonade and a cookie while visiting the Visitor’s Table in Fellowship Hall after the church worship service. You can pick up a Visitor’s Information Packet at the Visitor's Table or the



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