

# Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 8, 2021 - 10 am

## GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

Clips from Mr. Rogers

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

**Voice 1:**

If you are spiritually weary and in search of rest,  
if you are mourning and you long for comfort,  
if you are struggling and you desire victory,  
if you recognize that you are a sinner and need a Savior,  
God welcomes you here in the name of Christ.

**Voice 2:**

To the stranger in need of fellowship,  
to those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
and to whoever will come,  
Jesus meets us here -  
with a love that will not let us go,  
with spiritual food for the journey,  
and with a grace that transforms.

**Voice 1:**

So come, let us worship.

**Voice 2:**

Let us celebrate the friendship we have in Jesus Christ.

Opening Hymn

*What a Friend*

Northside Chapel Praise Band

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**Verse 1**

Everybody has trials and temptations | Everybody knows heartbreak, isolation  
But we can lay our burdens down | Lay our burdens down

**Chorus**

What a friend we have in Jesus | East to west my sins are gone  
I see grace on every horizon | And forever and ever His heart is my home

**Verse 2**

Everybody has fears everybody got worries | Everybody knows sorrow devastation  
But we can lay our burdens down | Lay our burdens down

**Chorus**

**Bridge**

No more betrayal for He is faithful | He fills me up and my cup runneth over

No more betrayal for He is faithful | How He has proven it over and over (over and oh)  
Chorus

### Opening Prayer (*unison*)

**Faithful Lord Jesus, Your love for us never changes, no matter our season of life or our circumstances. Recapture our hearts today with that love. Remind us that we can come to You just as we are, and move us toward a place of greater authenticity in prayer and worship. May we discover a relationship with You that is able to carry us through every season and shape us more and more into Your likeness. Amen.**

### A Message for Young Disciples

## Proclamation and Response

### Cue Entrance Music - "Trolley"

#### First Reading

#### Psalm 6

<sup>1</sup> O Lord, do not rebuke me in your anger, or discipline me in your wrath.

<sup>2</sup> Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am languishing; O Lord, heal me, for my bones are shaking with terror.

<sup>3</sup> My soul also is struck with terror, while you, O Lord—how long?

<sup>4</sup> Turn, O Lord, save my life; deliver me for the sake of your steadfast love.

<sup>5</sup> For in death there is no remembrance of you; in Sheol who can give you praise?

<sup>6</sup> I am weary with my moaning; every night I flood my bed with tears;  
I drench my couch with my weeping.

<sup>7</sup> My eyes waste away because of grief; they grow weak because of all my foes.

<sup>8</sup> Depart from me, all you workers of evil, for the Lord has heard the sound of my weeping.

<sup>9</sup> The Lord has heard my supplication; the Lord accepts my prayer.

<sup>10</sup> All my enemies shall be ashamed and struck with terror; they shall turn back, and in a moment be put to shame.

#### Second Reading

#### Matthew 27:33-46

<sup>33</sup> When they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull), <sup>34</sup> they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. <sup>35</sup> And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots; <sup>36</sup> then they sat down there and kept watch over him. <sup>37</sup> Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."

<sup>38</sup> Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>39</sup> Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads <sup>40</sup> and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." <sup>41</sup> In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying, <sup>42</sup> "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of

Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. <sup>43</sup> He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'" <sup>44</sup> The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

<sup>45</sup> From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. <sup>46</sup> And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem**

*Carry Me*

**Video**

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**"Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood"**

**Message**

*Life in God's Neighborhood: Lots of Ways of Feeling*

Pastor Jen Eschliman

**Joys and Concerns**

**Prayers of the People**

**Prayer Shawl Blessing**

**Pastor:**

We come to dedicate these prayer shawls. We want the recipients to know that the love and concern come not just from the crafter, not just from the Prayer Shawl Ministry, but from our entire congregation. We give God thanks for the labor of the many crafters these shawls represent.

**Congregation:**

**Lord God, we commend to you all those who will receive these shawls. Show them Your grace in the midst of their lives for healing, renewed faith or a time of celebration. Let all hearts turn to you and receive your peace.**

**Pastor:**

God of all comfort who is a gracious, loving and healing God, bless these shawls; that as the recipients wrap themselves in them, they may feel the love and prayers of the Body of Christ called Reisterstown United Methodist Church.

**Congregation:**

**Bless all those who receive these shawls. Remind them that they are loved and never forgotten. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Pastor:**

Jesus said, "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." Mark 11:24 (NIV)

**Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God**

**Offertory Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer**

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

## Closing Song

### *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

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#### Verse 1

What a friend we have in Jesus | All our sins and griefs to bear  
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer  
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer

#### Verse 2

Have we trials and temptations | Is there trouble anywhere  
We should never be discouraged | Take it to the Lord in prayer  
Can we find a friend so faithful | Who will all our sorrows share  
Jesus knows our every weakness | Take it to the Lord in prayer

#### Verse 3

Are we weak and heavy laden | Cumbered with a load of care  
Precious Savior, still our refuge | Take it to the Lord in prayer  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee | Take it to the Lord in prayer  
In his arms he'll take and shield thee | Thou wilt find a solace there

## Sending Forth

### Announcements

Fellowship Circles

Turnbaugh Trust Grant request deadline

### Benediction

### Postlude

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