# **Ninth Sunday After Pentecost**

August 2, 2020 10 am

## **Opening Praise**

## Better Is One Day

Based on Psalm 84

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#### Welcome

Call to Worship (from Psalm 103)

R: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits— who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. **R** 

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as the heavens are high above the earth,

so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. R

As for mortals, their days are like grass; they flourish like a flower of the field;

for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more.

But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children,

to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments. R

## **Opening Praise**

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

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#### Chorus

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship his holy name Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name

#### Verse 1

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning; It's time to sing your song again Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me; Let me be singing when the evening comes

## Chorus

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship his holy name Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name

#### Verse 2

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger; Your name is great and your heart is kind For all your goodness I will keep on singing; Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

### Chorus

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship his holy name Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name

### Verse 3

And on that day, when my strength is failing;

The end draws near and my time has come; Still my soul will sing your praise unending Ten thousand years and then forevermore; Forevermore

#### Chorus x2

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship his holy name Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship his holy name Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship your holy name

I'll worship Your Holy name; I'll worship Your Holy name; I'll worship Your Holy name

## **Opening Prayer**

Almighty God, your steadfast 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 in worship. May we discover a relationship with you that is able to sustain us in every season and shape us more and more into the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

# **Proclamation and Response**

# Scripture Reading

Psalm 69:1-4, 19-36 (CEB)

- <sup>1</sup>Save me, God, because the waters have reached my neck!
- <sup>2</sup> I have sunk into deep mud. My feet can't touch the bottom! I have entered deep water; the flood has swept me up.
- <sup>3</sup>I am tired of crying. My throat is hoarse. My eyes are exhausted with waiting for my God.
- <sup>4</sup> More numerous than the hairs on my head are those who hate me for no reason.

My treacherous enemies, those who would destroy me, are countless.

Must I now give back what I didn't steal in the first place?

<sup>19</sup> You know full well the insults I've received; you know my shame and my disgrace. All my adversaries are right there in front of you.

- <sup>20</sup> Insults have broken my heart. I'm sick about it. I hoped for sympathy, but there wasn't any; I hoped for comforters, but couldn't find any.
- <sup>21</sup> They gave me poison for food. To quench my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.
- <sup>22</sup> Let the table before them become a trap, their offerings a snare.
- <sup>23</sup> Let their eyes grow too dim to see; make their insides tremble constantly.
- <sup>24</sup> Pour out your anger on them—let your burning fury catch them.
- <sup>25</sup>Let their camp be devastated; let no one dwell in their tents.
- <sup>26</sup> Because they go after those you've already struck; they talk about the pain of those you've already pierced.
- <sup>27</sup> Pile guilt on top of their guilt! Don't let them come into your righteousness!
- <sup>28</sup>Let them be wiped out of the scroll of life! Let them not be recorded along with the righteous!
- <sup>29</sup> And me? I'm afflicted. I'm full of pain. Let your salvation keep me safe, God!
- <sup>30</sup> I will praise God's name with song; I will magnify him with thanks
- <sup>31</sup> because that is more pleasing to the Lord than an ox,more pleasing than a young bull with full horns and hooves.
- <sup>32</sup> Let the afflicted see it and be glad! You who seek God—let your hearts beat strong again
- <sup>33</sup> because the Lord listens to the needy and doesn't despise his captives.
- <sup>34</sup>Let heaven and earth praise God, the oceans too, and all that moves within them!
- <sup>35</sup> God will most certainly save Zion and will rebuild Judah's cities so that God's servants can live there and possess it.
- <sup>36</sup> The offspring of God's servants will inherit Zion, and those who love God's name will dwell there.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

A Story for All of God's Children Grumpy Monkey by Suzanne Lang & Max Lang

Message Lessons from the Library: Grumpy Monkey

Pastor Jen Eschliman

Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer
Prayer of Thanksgiving for Offerings

# **Sending Forth**

### Song

#### Come As You Are

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#### Verse 1

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been

Come broken-hearted, let rescue begin

Come find your mercy, O sinner come kneel

Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

### Chorus

(So) Lay down your burdens lay down your shame

All who are broken lift up your face; O wanderer come home

You're not too far; So lay down your hurt lay down your heart; Come as you are

#### Verse 2

There's hope for the hopeless; And all those who've strayed

Come sit at the table come taste the grace; There's rest for the weary

Rest that endures; Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure

### Chorus

(So) Lay down your burdens lay down your shame

All who are broken lift up your face; O wanderer come home

You're not too far; So lay down your hurt lay down your heart; Come as you are

# Bridge

Come as you are; Fall in His arms; Come as you are

## Verse 3

There's joy for the morning O sinner be still

Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal; Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

### Chorus

(So) Lay down your burdens lay down your shame

All who are broken lift up your face; O wanderer come home

You're not too far; So lay down your hurt lay down your heart; Come as you are

# **Ending**

Come as you are; Come as you are; Come as you are

#### Announcements

Worship on the Lawn

### **Benediction**

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