

# Worship Outline

6th Sunday after Pentecost

July 21, 2019

Psalm Series

## We Gather

Prelude

*Sweet By and By*  
Hughes

+Call to Worship (responsive)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
The love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

**And also with you.**

As many of you as were baptized in Christ,  
have clothed yourselves with Christ.

**There is one body and one Spirit,  
just as we were called to the one hope of our calling.**

+Prayer

Almighty and eternal God, by your grace  
you have called us to this time and place  
to be your servant people  
as we follow our servant Lord.  
Make your Holy Spirit move within and among us,  
that together we may live a new life  
in the crucified and risen Christ.

Bind us together in faith,  
so that as we receive all spiritual gifts  
needed to fulfill our calling,  
we may support one another in common ministry;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

+Hymn 451

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

### Unison Prayer of Confession

In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

**Merciful and loving God,  
you have called us to be your people  
and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ.  
We confess that we have not lived up to our calling  
to proclaim the good news in word and deed.  
We are quick to speak when we ought to listen  
and remain silent when it is time to speak.  
We put too much faith in our actions  
and fail to trust the strength of your Spirit.**

**O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways.  
Strengthen us anew to follow Christ's way in the world.  
By your Holy Spirit, give us the grace we need  
to be faithful disciples and fulfill our common calling;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.**

*Silence is kept.*

### Assurance

Lead a life worthy of your calling -  
With humility, gentleness, and patience,

Bearing with one another in love,  
and making every effort to maintain  
The unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

The Peace and Welcome

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Gathering Song 743  
*God*

*O God, You Are My*

## Sharing the Story

Opening the Word with Young Disciples

Special Music

*At the Riverside*

Traditional Spiritual arr. Ramey  
Debbie Rose, Peggy Mayfield, Leslen Sanders

Scripture Reading

Psalm 40: 1-10

Let us pray.

Send us your Holy Spirit, O God,  
that these words might speak to us as your word,  
And our lives bear witness to the good news  
of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I waited and waited and waited for God.

At last he looked; finally he listened.

He lifted me out of the ditch,

pulled me from deep mud.

He stood me up on a solid rock

to make sure I wouldn't slip.

He taught me how to sing the latest God-song,

a praise-song to our God.

More and more people are seeing this:

they enter the mystery,

abandoning themselves to God.

Blessed are you who give yourselves over to God,

turn your backs on the world's "sure thing,"

ignore what the world worships;

The world's a huge stockpile

of God-wonders and God-thoughts.

Nothing and no one

comes close to you!

I start talking about you, telling what I know,

and quickly run out of words.

Neither numbers nor words

account for you.

Doing something for you, bringing something to you—

that's not what you're after.

Being religious, acting pious—

that's not what you're asking for.

You've opened my ears

so I can listen.

So I answered, "I'm coming.

I read in your letter what you wrote about me,

And I'm coming to the party

you're throwing for me."

That's when God's Word entered my life,

became part of my very being.

I've preached you to the whole congregation,

I've kept back nothing, God—you know that.

I didn't keep the news of your ways

a secret, didn't keep it to myself.

I told it all, how dependable you are, how thorough.

I didn't hold back pieces of love and truth

For myself alone. I told it all,

let the congregation know the whole story.

Now God, don't hold out on me,  
don't hold back your passion.

Your love and truth  
are all that keeps me together.

When troubles ganged up on me,  
a mob of sins past counting,

I was so swamped by guilt  
I couldn't see my way clear.

More guilt in my heart than hair on my head,  
so heavy the guilt that my heart gave out.

Soften up, God, and intervene;  
hurry and get me some help,

So those who are trying to kidnap my soul  
will be embarrassed and lose face,

So anyone who gets a kick out of making me miserable  
will be heckled and disgraced,

So those who pray for my ruin  
will be booed and jeered without mercy.

But all who are hunting for you—  
oh, let them sing and be happy.

Let those who know what you're all about  
tell the world you're great and not quitting.

And me? I'm a mess. I'm nothing and have nothing:

make something of me.

You can do it; you've got what it takes—

but God, don't put it off.

Keep these words in your heart.

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rev. Liz Rolf Kanerva

+Hymn 651  
*God*

*I Waited Patiently for*

## Installation

Sentences of Scripture

Statement on Ordination

Profession of Faith

**With the whole church, let us confess our faith.**

**Do you believe in God the Father?**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;**

he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and everlasting life. Amen.

Constitutional Questions  
Prayer of Installation  
Welcome and Charge

## Eucharist

Offering  
Invitation

Offertory  
*Air*"

*Meditation on "Brother James*

Lani Smith

+Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:*



***Creator, Word, and Spirit one.***

***Alleluia, alleluia!***

***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

+Dedication

You have drawn us into this church to be nurtured and to work together to offer encouragement and help to others. We are grateful that you enrich us with gifts of your Spirit and tangible resources to use for your will in the world. We devote ourselves anew to your service through Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we pray. Amen.

Invitation

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Great Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer (unison)

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Closing Prayer

**Sending**

+Hymn 67

*My Song Forever Shall Record*

+Blessing and Benediction

Blessed are those who make the LORD their trust;

may all who seek you, O Lord, rejoice and be glad in you;  
may those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the LORD!"  
and the blessing of God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
be with you now and forever.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you,

+Congregational Benediction 542

*God be with you till we meet again;  
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
With a shepherd's care enfold you:  
God be with you till we meet again.*

Postlude

*Festal March*

Nordman