

The Worship of God

GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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First Sunday After Pentecost • June 4, 2023 • 10:30 AM

GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

CHIMING THE TRINITY

Lisa Horn

CALL TO WORSHIP

Nancy Williams

One: Here in this place, there are no foreigners,

Many: for all are welcome in God's house.

One: Here in this worship, there is only acceptance,

Many: for love is the language of faith.

One: Here in our lives, there are no divisions,

Many: for God dwells in each of us.

All: Come, let us worship in unity and love.

INVOCATION PRAYER

HYMN No. 25

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

LOBE DEN HERREN

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Nancy Williams

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ALL)

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.

HYMN No. 542

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

ABERYSTWYTH

SCRIPTURE

[Ruth 2:1-16](#)

Anita Laffoon

SERMON

“Long, Long Way From Home”

Anita Laffoon

TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

BENEDICTION**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ is with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

Announcements**Metro Richmond at Prayer**

During the week of June 4, we pray for the Churches and religious institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: For all who seek God on behalf of others; for pastors, ministers, missionaries, lay leaders, congregants, intercessors and other servants of Christ.

Pray for our Ministry Partners

Side by Side is dedicated to creating supportive communities where Virginia’s LGBTQ+ youth can define themselves, belong, and flourish. They provide support groups and counseling for youth, housing services for young adults, and support for parents and caregivers of LGBTQ+ youth in Richmond.

Journey Partners Christmas Barrel

We, along with a few other churches, are gathering items that will be Christmas gifts for the children of Journey Partners. Lists of what is needed will be available soon, and all items need to be turned in by July 9th.

Worship isn't the same without you...

...and we'd love to have your help! We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings by leading the Call to Worship and the Prayers of the People, and to facilitate the Zoom room. Contact Anita to sign up (alaffoon@ginterparkbc.org)!

Study Opportunities

Our study groups will take a break for the summer, but will reconvene in the fall. Watch for an announcement on Realm!

Business Meeting

Our next business meeting will be TODAY after worship. Please plan to join us in person or via Zoom.

Graduate Recognition

We'll have a special time during worship on June 11th to celebrate our graduates! If you will be graduating high school, college, or grad school please send your info to Anita (alaffoon@ginterparkbc.org) and plan to be in worship with us if you can.

Page Turners Book Club

...is officially in summer mode! So...read, read, read! We look forward to seeing you and hearing what you have been reading in September!

BackPack Summer collecting!

Thank you, thank you! You all are the greatest...at bringing in grocery bags! And, YES, we will continue to collect bags during the summer. If you have questions about the process let Dixie know! Contact information can be found on REALM.

Hymn Texts

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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, who rules all creation.

O my soul, worship the wellspring of health and salvation.

All ye who hear, now to God's temple draw near.
Join me in in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
who, as on wings of an eagle uplifted, sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen? All that is needful hath been granted in what God ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work, and defend thee.

Surely God's goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.

Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with great love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee,
fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee.

Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed,
spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all of God's peoples and races,
all that hath life and breath, give thanks for manifold graces.

Let the Amen sound from God's people again.
Gladly for ever sing praises.

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high;

hide me, O my Savior, hide till the storm of life is past;

safe into the haven guide; O receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none; hangs my helpless soul on thee;

leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me.

All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;

cover my defenseless head with the shadow of thy wing.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;

let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.

Thou of life the fountain art, freely let me take of thee;

spring thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity.

For the Fruit of All Creation

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God;
for the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God;
for the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor, God's will is done;
in the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done;
in our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God;
for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God;
for the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,
most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

