

The Worship of God

GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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Second Sunday After Pentecost • June 11, 2023 • 10:30 AM

GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

CHIMING THE TRINITY

Sheryl Johnson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Nancy Williams

One: God was with the people of Israel when they left Egypt.

Many: God is with us now.

One: God gave the people hope as they traveled through the desert.

Many: God gives us the courage to step out in faith.

One: God is us wherever we go.

Many: Come, let us worship the Lord.

INVOCATION PRAYER

HYMN No. 622

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

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CELEBRATING OUR GRADUATES

Noah Cady and Sydney Schmitt

One:

As you move into your next chapter, know that we hold you in our hearts
and that you carry this community with you.

Many:

We commission you, through the Spirit and love of God,

To tend to the world and help set it right once again.

May you have an open heart to feel the world’s pain,

And courage enough to not be overwhelmed by its suffering.

May you pour out love to every person you encounter,

Seeing the image of the divine that sparks within each human.

One:

We commission you, through the Spirit and love of God,

To add beauty in this world.

May you be filled with imagination

So that you can see the hope of resurrection and let it shine through you.

May you live your life with an awareness that real life is happening to you right now,

And that life does not begin at some later milestone.

Many:

We commission you to go forth from this place

As the light of the world and the salt of the earth.

You have formed us, and we are a better community because of your presence.

One:

As God sent the Holy Spirit to the disciples at Pentecost, God sends the Spirit with you to empower you, to strengthen your faith and to comfort you in all that will come. Amen.*

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.

SCRIPTURE

[Exodus 14:13-14, 21-28](#)

Anita Laffoon

HYMN No. 622

“Wade in the Water”

WADE IN THE WATER

SCRIPTURE

[Joshua 3:1-6, 14-17](#)

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SERMON

“Wade in the Water”

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TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

HYMN No. 618

“How Firm a Foundation”

FOUNDATION

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 11, we pray for the Churches and religious institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: For all religious communities, abbeys, orders, brotherhoods, sisterhoods, religious societies, and para-church organizations.

Pray for our Ministry Partners

RPS Foundation - The mission of Richmond Public Schools Education Foundation is to partner with Richmond Public Schools to actively develop philanthropic resources and community relationships that support the goal to improve student learning and achievement in preparation for success in college, career, and community.

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)!

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.

Congratulations to the class of 2023!

- ❖ Noah Cady earned a Bachelor of Sciences degree in Psychology with a minor in Exercise Science from Virginia Military Institute. He is a Distinguished Graduate, meaning his overall GPA is higher than 3.5. He will be starting a post-baccalaureate, pre-medical program through the University of Virginia this summer.
- ❖ Sydney Schmitt graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Mary Washington with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Accounting. She plans to go on to graduate school to earn a Masters in Accounting.

**Blessing for Graduates used at University Baptist Church in Charlottesville, Va, and published in Baptist News Global article "On Graduation and the Priesthood of All Believers" by Val Fisk.*

Hymn Texts

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Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand.
bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.

strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
bear me through the swelling current; land me safe on Canaan's side.
songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee; I will ever give to thee.

Wade in the Water

Wade in the water, (children,) wade in the water, children,
children, wade in the water, God's a-going to trouble the water.

See that host all dressed in white, God's a-going to trouble the water;
the leader looks like the Israelite, God's a-going to trouble the water.

Wade in the water, (children,) wade in the water, children,
children, wade in the water, God's a-going to trouble the water.

See that band all dressed in red, God's a-going to trouble the water;
looks like the band that Moses led, God's a-going to trouble the water.

Wade in the water, (children,) wade in the water, children,
children, wade in the water, God's a-going to trouble the water.

Look over yonder, what do I see? God's a gonna trouble the water;
Holy Ghost a-coming on me, God's a-going to trouble the water.

Wade in the water, (children,) wade in the water, children,
children, wade in the water, God's a-going to trouble the water.

If you don't believe I've been redeemed, God's a-going to trouble the water;
just follow me down to Jordan's stream, God's a-going to trouble the water.

Wade in the water, (children,) wade in the water, children,
children, wade in the water, God's a-going to trouble the water.

How Firm a Foundation

"How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in God's excellent word!
What more can be said than to you God has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?"

"Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not dismayed, for I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply.
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake!"

