



Sunday, June 14, 2020
Trinitarian Congregational Church
Concord, Massachusetts
Second Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO THE SERVICE

HYMN ***Our God Our Help in Ages Past*** (organ and congregation)
Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!

Under the shadow of thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.

A thousand ages in Thy sight are like an evening gone,
They fly, forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day. Amen

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (Carrie O'Brien)

HYMN ***Our God Our Help in Ages Past*** (organ and congregation)
Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears mortals all away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Esther 4:6-16

SERMON *Stepping into God's Purposes* (Reverend Susan Scott)

MUSIC ***Standing On The Promises*** (vocal and instrumental)

PRAYERS **Pastoral Prayer, Prayer Requests and Silent Prayer, The Lord's Prayer**

OFFERING OF GIFTS

Call to Stewardship (Ellen Quackenbush)

Offertory ***Lord I Want to Be a Christian*** (piano solo)

Hymn of Praise (tune: *Old Hundredth*)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

HYMN ***Rise Up, O Saints of God!*** (organ and congregation)
Rise up, O saints of God! Have done with lesser things;
Give heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.

Rise up, O saints of God! The kingdom tarries long.
Bring in the day of righteousness, and end the night of wrong.

Rise up, O saints of God! The church for you doth wait,
With strength unequal to the task; rise up and make it great.

Lift high the cross of Christ; tread where Christ's feet have trod;
Come sisters, brothers in the faith, rise up, O saints of God. Amen.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE ***God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again*** (vocal solo)

Fellowship in Breakout Rooms

Worship Leaders

Rev. Gail Miller, Minister for Congregational Life; Victoria Wagner, organist-pianist; Carrie O'Brien, Director of Children's Ministries; Bob and Sawyer Lawson, Matt DiBattista, instrumentalists-vocalists.

Guest Preacher

Rev. Susan Scott, Associate Pastor at Highrock Church in Acton, and former pastor of Union Church, UCC, in Stow.

Music Credits

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Standing on the Promises Words and Music by R. Kelso Carter, 1891

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian spiritual, arr. Charles Callahan in his collection *Spirituals for Keyboard*
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Rise Up, O Saints of God! Tune: FESTAL SONG by William H. Walter, 1894. Text by William P. Merrill, 1922, alt. Reprinted from *Hymns of Truth and Light*

God Be With You Till We Meet Again Words: Jeremiah Eames Rankin, 1880, alt. Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams, From the *English Hymnal*, 1906. ©Oxford University Press.

Announcement

"State of the Church" Mid-Year Update and Conversation

June 16, 7:00pm

This will be an opportunity to hear updates on a number of topics: Our ongoing Zoom worship, finances, programs/ministries, pastoral care, mission giving/doing. The Zoom link was shared in the Friday email; contact Judy in the Church Office if you didn't receive it (978-369-4837).