



# GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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July 15, 2018

8:50am

Service of Worship  
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

*Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community*

\*SINGING

Your Grace Is Enough

Matt Maher

Meet Us Here

Dan Marks

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We have gathered because we trust.

**All: We trust in God's steadfast love.**

One: Our hearts rejoice.

**All: Our hearts rejoice in God's salvation.**

One: Let us sing to the Lord, God Almighty.

**All: Let us sing and worship because of God's bountiful love and grace.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fred Holbrook

*(Please sign and pass the Grace Greetings books at this time.)*

COME AS A CHILD

*(Worship bags are available for children who remain in the Sanctuary. Nursery-age children are welcome to be taken to our Nursery which is located in the Children's Wing. An usher can direct you.)*

Sing 134

"Joy to the World"

*Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;  
let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.*

PRAYER OF LAMENTATION

African-American Spiritual

**I want Jesus to walk with me;  
I want Jesus to walk with me;  
all along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.**

**In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
in my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
when my heart is almost breaking,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.**

**When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when my head is bowed in sorrow,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. Amen.**

ASSURANCE TO THE BELOVED

One: Friends, come! Live in the light!

**All: Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!**

One: We are called to be light for the kingdom,

**All: to live in the freedom of the city of God.**

One: We are called to act with justice;

**All: we are called to love tenderly;**

One: we are called to serve one another,

**All: to walk humbly with God.**

One: Friends, YOU are the beloved of God!

**All: Friend, YOU are the beloved of God!**

**Friends, WE are the BELOVED OF GOD! AMEN!**

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you and everyone.

**All: And also with you and all others!**

*(Let us greet one another with expressions of Jesus' love.)*

\*SINGING

Better Is One Day

Matt Redman

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

*Equipping People to Develop and Share a  
Faith That Works in Real Life*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 13

Meredith Watson

*(Old Testament, Page 494)*

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Philippians 1:12-19

*(New Testament, Page 196)*

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

"Gospel Partners: Suffering"

Fred Holbrook

*Sending People to Serve in the World*

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC

Words & Music by John Elliott

"Somebody's Prayin'"

arr. Mark Hayes

Tatum Specht, soprano

\*SINGING

Hear Our Praises

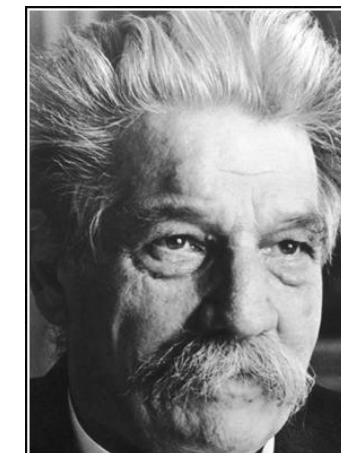
Reuben Morgan

\*CHARGE AND BEDICTION

*\*If convenient/able, please stand.*

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Joy, sorrow, tears, lamentation, laughter -- to all these music gives voice, but in such a way that we are transported from the world of unrest to a world of peace, and see reality in a new way, as if we were sitting by a mountain lake and contemplating hills and woods and clouds in the tranquil and fathomless water.

— Albert Schweitzer —