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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
PENDLETON, OREGON  
AUGUST 9, 2020 – 10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



PASTOR – Rev. Jonathan Mitchell  
LITURGIST – Gary Zimmerman  
MUSIC – Steve Muller  
ORGANIST – Sue Nelson

You are invited to participate with us.  
**Bold words** are spoken together.  
***Bold Italic words*** are sung together.

PRELUDE

Trio

Josef Rheinberger

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN #353

My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less

1. My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and  
righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest  
frame,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
2. When darkness seems to hide his  
face,  
I rest on his unchanging grace;  
in every high and stormy gale,  
my anchor holds within the veil.  
[Refrain]
3. His oath, his covenant, his blood  
support me in the whelming flood;  
when all around my soul gives way,  
he then is all my hope and stay.  
[Refrain]
4. When he shall come with trumpet  
sound,  
O may I then in him be found,  
dressed in his righteousness alone,  
faultless to stand before the  
throne. [Refrain]

*Refrain:*

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 85

Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,  
for God will speak peace to the people, to the faithful,  
to those who turn to God in their hearts.

**Surely God's salvation is at hand for those who  
fear the LORD, that God's glory may dwell in our land.**

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;  
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

**Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,  
and righteousness will look down from the sky.**

The LORD will give what is good,  
and our land will yield its increase.

**Righteousness will go before God,  
and will make a path for God's steps.**

Come, let us worship the LORD!

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

From Matthew 14

God of infinite possibilities,  
we are like a boat that is beaten by the storm:  
without your aid we are powerless to get where we are going.

**We are like disciples who sit in fear for their lives:  
without your presence we are trapped within the prison  
of our feelings of helplessness.**

We are like those lost in wonder and disbelief:  
without your assurance we quickly drown  
in our hopelessness and despair.

**Grant us the courage of Peter to believe that through  
your power anything is possible.**

(time for silent, personal confession)

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

From Romans 10

Christ's love is greater than our deepest failings.

The scripture says:

"No one who believes in him will be put to shame...

For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Join me in these words of forgiveness:

**By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

#### GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.**

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

Even when storms rage around us,  
Christ's grace and peace center us,  
move us and encourage us.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you!**

ANTHEM Ave Maria J.S. Bach/Gounod

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 10:5-15

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 14:22-33

SERMON Take Heart. It is I. Do not be afraid

#### PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 #463 How Firm a Foundation

1. 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 hath said,  
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O 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.
3. "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Basse et Dessus de Trompette Louis Nicolas Clérambault