

June 6, 2021

A New Family



Piano Prelude Changing Winds - A. Streliski
 In the Wind - J. Brickman

Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory

Welcome

Call to Worship

*The Holy Spirit gives us life
and the power to become new people!*

The winds of the spirit have given us breath.

The fire of the spirit has given us a love for God and each other.

*Come in faithfulness,
ready for the holy surprises that God's spirit brings!*

**We open our lives to the presence of God,
trusting that we live in freedom and grace.**

Hymn **321** (v.1, 2, 3) – *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Sung response **57** (refrain)

**And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of my hand.**

Pardon

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Scripture Readings

Romans 8:14-17

Mark 3:20-35

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn **434** (v.1, 4) – *For the Beauty of the Earth*

Sermon – *A New Family*

Hymn **40 MV** (v.1, 3) – *Never Ending Joy*

Communion

Invitation

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*All that is spectacular, all that is plain,
have their origin in you.*

*All that is lovely, all who are loving,
point to you as their fulfillment.*

*Grateful as we are for the world you created
and the universe beyond us,*

we particularly praise you

for coming to earth and entering time in Jesus.

For his life which informs our living,

for his compassion which changes our hearts,

for his words that challenge the powers,

for his fearless dying, and rising to life breathing forgiveness,

we praise you.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith,

Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

Surprising God,

we give thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit,

confronting us with your claims,

attracting us to your goodness,

and filling us with your love,

Through her,

you challenge us to draw the circle wider,

to welcome the outsider, to risk a new connection.

Pour out your Spirit upon us,

and upon these gifts of bread and wine,

that we who share this bread and cup

may be nourished by your unbounded love,

and encouraged to be your servants in the world.

We pray for....

**Our Father in heaven
Hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.**

Sharing the Bread and the Wine (in-person and at home)
Communion Prayer

Hymn **471** (v.1, 2, 3) – *We are One in the Spirit*

Benediction

**Amen, amen, alleluia, amen.
Amen, amen, alleluia, amen.**

Piano Postlude He's Got the Whole World in His Hands - *Spiritual, arr. B. Edstrom*



This morning, we remember the work of the General Assembly, the national body that makes decisions for the PCC, and meets online June 6-9. We pray for commissioners, ministers and elders, as well as national staff that they may know the love, strength and Spirit of God working within them.

We also give thanks to Charlotte Adams, our worship leader and to Marc Belleau for leading our hymns.



Hymns

Hymn 321 (v.1, 2, 3) – *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
who rules all creation:**

**my soul, praise God, who alone
is your health and salvation.**

**Come, all who hear,
sisters and brothers draw near;
joining in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who in all things
so wondrously reigning
hides you with sheltering wings,
ever gently sustaining.**

**Have you not seen
how your heart's wishes have been
granted through God's kind ordaining?**

**Praise to the Lord, who will prosper
your work, who defends you;
surely God's merciful goodness
here daily attends you;
ponder anew
what the almighty can do,
when in great love God befriends you.**

Hymn 434 (v.1, 4) – *For the Beauty of the Earth*

**For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.**

**For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.**

Hymn **40 MV** (v.1, 3) – *Never Ending Joy*

***Never ending joy, never ending joy,
never ending joy,
never ending joy, never ending joy,
never ending joy!***

**God of every tribe, every language,
God of every river and sea,
God of every mountain and island,
you bring joy to me.**

***Never ending joy, never ending joy,
never ending joy,
never ending joy, never ending joy,
never ending joy!***

**God of every song, every story,
God of every captive set free,
God of every dance, every footstep,
you bring joy to me.**

***Never ending joy, never ending joy,
never ending joy,
never ending joy, never ending joy,
never ending joy!***

Hymn **471** (v.1, 2, 3) – *We are One in the Spirit*

**We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity
will one day be restored,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

**We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news
that God is in our land,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

**We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
we will work with each other, we will work side by side,
and we'll guard each one's dignity
and save each one's pride,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

Scripture Readings

Romans 8:14-17

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Mark 3:20-35

The crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” — for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”