

Sunday Evening Services
May 13, 2012
Sixth Sunday of Easter
5:00 PM

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude: "Blessed Be Your Name" Beth & Matt Redman

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where your streams of abundance flow, blessed be your name.
And blessed be your name, when I'm found in the desert place;
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name.

Every blessing you pour out, I'll turn back to praise;
And when the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name;
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious
name."

Blessed be your name, when the sun's shining down on me;
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be your name.
And blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering.
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name.

You give and take away, you give and take away,
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be your name!"

Welcome, Announcements & Greeting

Laurie Wheeler

Call to Worship: Isaiah 40:9–11

Laurie Wheeler

Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, “Here is your God!” See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

We Offer Ourselves to God

“Down in the River to Pray” Traditional

As I went down in the river to pray, studying about that good old way,
And who shall wear the starry crown? Good Lord, show me the way.

Oh sisters, let’s go down, let’s go down, come on down.
Oh brothers, let’s go down, down in the river to pray.

Sacrament of Baptism

Through God’s covenant and the sacrament of baptism, we welcome these new brothers into his kingdom family. We promise, relying on God’s help, to order our congregational and individual life and witness that they may grow in the knowledge of the love of God and grow in their commitment to Christ as Lord and Savior. We further seek to surround them continually with Christian love and care that they may live as Christ commands.

“May the Lord Bless and Keep You” Kari Medina

May the Lord bless and keep you

May the Lord make his face to shine upon you

And be gracious to you

May the Lord bless and keep you

May the Lord make his face to shine upon you

May the Lord lift up his countenance upon you

And give you peace, and give you peace

“Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble?” Martin Smith

Did you feel the mountains tremble? Did you hear the oceans
roar?

When the people rose to sing of Jesus Christ, the risen one?

Did you feel the people tremble? Did you hear the singers roar?

When the lost began to sing of Jesus Christ, the saving one?

And we can see that God, you're moving a mighty river through
the nations,

And young and old will turn to Jesus.

Fling wide, you heavenly gates. Prepare the way of the risen
Lord.

Open up the doors and let the music play,

Let the streets resound with singing.

Songs that bring your hope, songs that bring your joy,

Dancers who dance upon injustice.

Do you feel the darkness tremble when all the saints join in one
song

And all the streams flow as one river to wash away our
brokenness?

And here we see that God, you're moving.
A time of jubilee is coming, when young and old will turn to
Jesus.
Fling wide, you heavenly gates. Prepare the way of the risen
Lord.

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

Laurie Wheeler

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

“Arms of Love” Craig Musseau

I sing a simple song of love, to my Savior, to my Jesus.
I'm grateful for the things you've done,
My loving Savior, O precious Jesus.
My heart is glad that you've called me your own;
There's no place I'd rather be than

In your arms of love, in your arms of love,
Holding me still, holding me near in your arms of love.

We Hear God's Word Proclaimed

Sermon: “The Good Shepherd: Alien Influence,” Ezekiel 34:11–16
Earl F. Palmer

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep,
and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when
they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my
sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have
been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring

them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

We Respond to God's Word

Prayer of Dedication

Laurie Wheeler

Tithes & Offerings: "It Is Well with My Soul"

Words: Horatio Spafford, 1873; music: Philip Bliss, 1876

When peace like a river attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll,
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control:
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And has shed his own blood for my soul.

My sin—O, the bliss of this glorious thought,

My sin—not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more:
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend:
“Even so”—it is well with my soul.

“Song of Hope (Heaven Come Down)”

Chase Jenkins/Dan Hamilton/Robbie Seay/Ryan Owens/Taylor
Johnson/Tedd Tjornhom

All things bright and beautiful you are, all things wise and
wonderful you are,
In my darkest night, you brighten up the skies; a song will rise.

I will sing a song of hope, sing along,
God of heaven come down, heaven come down;
Just to know that you are near is enough;
God of heaven come down, heaven come down.

All things new. I can start again; Creator God, calling me your
friend,
Sing praise, my soul, to the Maker of the skies, a song will rise.

I will sing a song of hope, sing along,
God of heaven come down, heaven come down;
Just to know you and be loved is enough;
God of heaven come down, heaven come down.

Hallelujah, sing; hallelujah, sing, sing,

PASTORAL PARTICIPANTS

Earl F. Palmer, Pastor Emeritus

Laurie Wheeler, Interim Head, Worship

David Hallgren, Pastor, Children & Family Ministries

Dani Forbess, Faith Formation Lead, Children & Family Ministries

Jim Fry, Elder

Anna Wiebelhaus & Lynn Chun, Sign Language Interpreters

TONIGHT'S WORSHIP TEAM

Phil Bransford, cello

Lindsay Colitses, acoustic guitar

Brian Coon, vocals

Andrew Jernberg, bass guitar

Hannah Low, clarinet

Jeffrey McCormack, drums

Tomo Morita, recorder

Sue Nixon, vocals

Laura Remme, flute

Walt Wagner, piano

Heather Whitney, vocals

Mitch Yockey, electric guitar

TO RESPECT OUR WORSHIP TOGETHER, please turn off the sound on all electronic equipment.

FAMILIES ARE ALWAYS WELCOME to worship together in the Sanctuary. The service is also played on closed-circuit TV in the Knox Parlor, just outside the Sanctuary, which is available for parents and families, if desired. Childcare for infants and toddlers is located on the 2nd floor. Classes for preschoolers and elementary-age children are available on the 3rd floor.

TODAY'S BAPTISMS

8:30

Sally Jane, child of Jane & Mark Wierenga

10:00

Mia Irene, child of Nicole Amor & Andrew Sprague

Robyn Margaret & Sayde Mae, children of Katy & Tyler Mjelde

Jacob Michael & Dylan Matthew, children of Paige & Michael

Wojcik

11:30

Sicilia Jo & Lincoln Michael, children of Katie & Jonathan Saad

Alec Trevor, child of Megan & Travis Sullivan

Tallulah Jeanne, child of Annie & Cameron Turner

5:00

Kyle Steven, child of Kristin & Steven Behrend

Maxwell Casey, child of Courtney & Zebrick Roach

GUEST PREACHER

Earl F. Palmer has pastored the congregations at Union Church in Manila, First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley, National Presbyterian Church, and was UPC's senior pastor from 1991–2008. Through Earl Palmer Ministries, he continues his ministry of teaching, writing, and encouragement.

CONDOLENCE

Our sympathy to Kathy Pearson and family in the death of Kathy's husband, Jay, who passed away April 27. A memorial service will be held at First Presbyterian Church in Bellevue on Sunday, May 20 at 3pm.

NEXT SUNDAY: MAY 20

Spring Sermon Series: Take Me To Your Leader

George Hinman, “God’s Holy Name: Alien Heart”

Ezekiel 36:22–27

Celebrate the Sacrament of Communion at all five services.

The Session has called a special meeting of the congregation to be held May 20, 2012, following the 11:30am service for the purpose of acting on the request of Rev. Dave Rohrer to dissolve the Associate Pastor relationship with University Presbyterian Church and to act on changes in the terms of call for Rev. Ray Moore.

ALL GUESTS ARE INVITED to visit the Welcome Center in the Narthex to find out more about UPC’s community and ministries.

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