

First Presbyterian Church

Kingsford, Michigan
Rev. Michael March, Pastor

11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 16, 2020

Greeting: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Response: **And also with you.**

*Praise Medley:

Holy One, We Worship Thee

Verse One

Holy One, We Worship Thee
For You are God, Lord of everything.
We adore Your name, We give You praise,
In Your presence Lord, we stand amazed!

Verse Two

Honor, glory, power and might
Belong to You, the Lord of Light.
Creator, Savior, Comforter.
You will always be and always were!

Bridge

You are worthy of glory and honor and praise.
Lord, we'll worship and rev'ence You all of our days.
We come humbly before You with thanks and with praise.
There is none like You, We bless Your Name.

(Repeat Verse One)

Amazing Grace / My Chains are Gone

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears
relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first
believed.

Chorus:

My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior has
ransomed me. And like a flood, His mercy reigns. Unending love,
amazing grace. *(Repeat first verse and chorus)*

*Prayer of Confession:

**Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you call us to leave everything
and follow you. Such radical commitment scares us, and we do
not answer your call. We are willing to leave some things
behind and to follow him part of the time but afraid to offer
more. Forgive our half-hearted response to him who gave
everything for us. In the name of Jesus have mercy on us.
When he calls us, help us to answer him completely.**

*Assurance of God's Pardon

***Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise;
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
He who on the cross as Savior for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.**

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Prayer, Scripture Reading: Matthew 15:10–28

Responsive: Psalm 67

- 1 May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to
shine upon us,
- 2 **that your way may be known on earth, your saving power
among all nations.**
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise
you!
- 4 **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the
peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.**
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise
you!
- 6 **The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless
us.**
- 7 God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

Anthem

--Ralph Kramer

Sermon: Genesis 45:1–15

*Intercessions & Prayer Concerns:

Bob Werner, Jean Thekan, Diane Lutsey,
Linda Peterson, Karyn Daft

*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: Just as I Am*

Just as I am, without one plea But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Though bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God,
I come! I come!

Just as I am and waiting not To rid my soul of one dark blot, To
Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God,
I come! I come!

Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a
doubt, Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God,
I come! I come!

Just as I am – Thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse,
relieve. Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God,
I come! I come!

**Benediction/Response: Seek Ye First*

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, And all
these things shall be added unto you – Allelu, alleluia!

Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find, Knock
and the door shall be opened unto you – Allelu, alleluia!