

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OH THE PLACES WE GO: Mountains

SUMMER WORSHIP: COMMUNION SUNDAY

July 14, 2024

9:45 AM

OH THE PLACES WE GO: *Welcome! Join us as together we journey through an eight-week summer sermon series that will invite you to explore the ways in which our own life's journeys are marked by the backdrop of sacred places. Each Sunday, Churchgoers will be invited to pick up one river stone. At the end of the sermon series, each churchgoer will have enough stones to build a cairn (a marker used to commemorate the importance of a place/direction/location/ boundary). At the end of our journey this summer, you are invited to mark a sacred place using the stones you collected in worship to build your cairn.*

PRELUDE *Prelude in G major, BWV 860* Bach

WORDS OF WELCOME Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

As God called to Moses from the mountain,
we are called to be God's people.
As Jesus called the disciples to climb with him
to the peak of another mountain,
we are called to follow wherever he leads.
As the disciples stood in awe at the sound of God's voice,
we are called to worship in wonder and praise.

*HYMN #61 *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*SILENT CONFESSION

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit Three in One; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

Please be seated as the children are invited forward.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you. (Please share the peace of Christ with your neighbor!)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please Lord, we also pray for: Those suffering from the effects of flooding, fires and war; healing and comfort for Olive Barrett, Marcia Bibeault, Dick Lane, Michael Martens, Jack Stone.

PRAYER RESPONSE *Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALL TO OFFERING



For your convenience, we have included a QR code for donations. Thank you for your generosity.

*DOXOLOGY

#422 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ (vs. 3)

Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) everywhere! Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

*UNISON OFFERING PRAYER

Faithful God, you create, you sweep over and speak into being all of creation. You encourage us to be movers of mountains, followers of your way, generous givers of your extravagant love. We thank you for the opportunity to give and participate in extending grace to more and more people, and to give all glory to you. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 24 (Mountains)

Doris Drake

Then he said to Moses, "Come up to the Lord, you and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, and worship at a distance. Moses alone shall come near the Lord, but the others shall not come near, and the people shall not come up with him."

Moses went and told the people all the words of the Lord and all the ordinances, and all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words that the Lord has spoken we will do." And Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord. He rose early in the morning,

built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and set up twelve pillars, corresponding to the twelve tribes of Israel. He sent young men of the Israelites, who offered burnt offerings and sacrificed oxen as offerings of well-being to the Lord. Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and half of the blood he dashed against the altar. Then he took the book of the covenant and read it in the hearing of the people, and they said, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient." Moses took the blood and dashed it on the people, and said, "Here is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words."

Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, and they saw the God of Israel. Under his feet there was something like a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. God did not lay his hand on the chief men of the Israelites; they beheld God, and they ate and drank.

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

This ends the reading of God's Holy Word.

For the Word of God in Scripture; for the Word of God among us; for the Word of God within us, **thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* Katelyn Frazer

SERMON *Called by the Mountains* Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP BY INTINCTION

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORDS PRAYER:

Holy One, From mountaintops to the deepest valleys, in daylight and in the darkest shadows, you call us to be your people. And so, with your people on earth and all the great cloud of witnesses in heaven, we praise you and give you thanks. In the breaking of the bread, we remember your sacrifice. In drinking the cup, we recall Your covenant, your promise. May this sacred meal draw us closer to You, reminding us of Your endless mercy and grace. We pray in Jesus's name, the prayer he taught us saying: "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 *#67 O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

*BENEDICTION Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *May You Run and Not Be Weary*

POSTLUDE Fugue in G major, BWV 860 Bach

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Donna Arthur and Jo-Ann McDonagh

COMMUNION SERVERS

Joanne Dickey

SOLOIST

Katelyn Frazer

COFFEE HOUR

Amy Lo and Mike Morrissey

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Congregational Church!**

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LOOKING AHEAD!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES:

TODAY: Summer Worship Preaching Series Begins Sacred Journeys: Oh The Places We Go!

TODAY: Summer Outing for Kids-WooSox Game at Polar Park

AUGUST 4th: Church Beach Day at Rexhame Beach for Families! (Details TBA)

Minister's Hours

Rev. Anne Marie would love to visit with you at the church during the week or meet you for coffee! She holds office hours on most Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 9:30 and 12:30pm! Drop in or schedule a time to meet! She is available to meet off site Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Just send her an email at pastorannem@allinchurch.org

Rev. Anne Marie tries to hold Fridays and Saturdays as her Sabbath, as they are often filled with sermon editing/writing and family appointment days.

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