

MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, August 27, 2023, 10:30 a.m.
Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome and Greeting

Handbell Prelude: "Beach Spring" (B.P. White, arr. John Matheny)

Opening Sentences

Hymn 75: "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

Opening Prayer

Special Music: "Lord of the Dance" (Shaker Tune, arr. Kevin McChesney)

Giving and Receiving of Our Gifts

Doxology

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16:13-20

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon, son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Sermon: "LIVING A QUESTION"

Hymn 2: "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

Benediction

Benediction Response 575 (v. 1): "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name"

Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise with one accord our parting hymn of praise; we stand to bless Thee ere our worship cease, then, lowly kneeling, wait Thy word of peace.

Greet One Another

Participants: Rev. Art Ritter, Barb & Jerry Fuller, Lorraine Finison, Betty Briggs, Finison Family and Friends

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

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Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

Attr. to William Croft, 1678-1727

1. Ye ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,
 2. God rul - eth on high, al - might - y to save,
 3. Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne!
 4. Then let us a - dore and give Him His right,

And pub - lish a - broad His won - der - ful name.
 And still He is nigh, His pres - ence we have;
 Let all cry a - loud and hon - or the Son;
 All glo - ry and pow'r, all wis - dom and might,

The name, all vic - to - rious, of Je - sus ex - tol;
 The great con - gre - ga - tion His tri - umph shall sing,
 The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,
 All hon - or and bless - ing with an - gels a - bove,

His king - dom is glo - rious, He rules o - ver all.
 As - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus, our King.
 Fall down on their fa - ces and wor - ship the Lamb.
 And thanks nev - er ceas - ing and in - fi - nite love. A - men.

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

Attrib. to Ignaz Franz, 1719-1790

Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, ca. 1774

Trans. by Clarence Walworth, 1820-1900, alt.

1. Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we
 2. Hark, the glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -
 3. Lo! the ap - os - tol - ic train Joins Thy sa - cred
 4. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it:

bow be - fore Thee; All on earth Thy scep - ter claim;
 bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 three we name Thee, Though in es - sence on - ly One;

All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy
 In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, Fill the heav'ns with
 And the bless - ed mar - tyrs fol - low. And from morn to
 Un - di - vid - ed God we claim Thee, And a - dor - ing

vast do - main; Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign.
 sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord.
 set of sun, Through the Church the song goes on.
 bend the knee While we sing our praise to Thee. A - men.