

WORSHIP SERVICE

Northampton Presbyterian Church

*“Simple Gifts Worship”
Third Sunday After Pentecost
Father’s Day*

*June 18, 2023
10:00 AM*

PRELUDE

Fathers

Pedersen

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Session Meeting, Tuesday (6/20) at 7 PM.
- Bible Study for Everyone, Thursday (6/22) at 10 AM.
- Annual Congregational Meeting (for the purpose of electing church officers), next Sunday (6/25) immediately following the worship service.

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

(based on Psalm 103)

ONE: Come, bless the Lord with me!

MANY: For the Lord is like a father to his children.

ONE: Compassionate and merciful, filled with endless love.

MANY: He forgives our sins, and heals the sickness inside us;

ONE: He surrounds us with love and mercy and fills our lives with good things!

MANY: Let us worship God together!

HYMN

This Is My Father's World

TERRA BEATA

**This is my Father's world,
And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world;
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
His hand the wonders wrought.**

This is my Father's world.

O, let me ne'er forget

That though the wrong seems oft so strong,

God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father's world.

The battle is not done:

Jesus who died shall be satisfied,

And earth and heaven be one.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 21:8-21 (The Message)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 10:24-39

SERMON

Your Son Too

Rev. Judith A. Dwyer

HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;
Raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.**

**Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**High King of Heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

THE OFFERING

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MUSICAL MEDITATION *(Jes Stehr, piano solo)*

All Creatures of Our God and King

Chris Rice

DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

FATHER'S DAY PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

HYMN

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

NATIONAL HYMN

**God of the ages, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before thy throne arise.**

**Thy love divine hath led us in the past.
In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay:
Thy word, our law, thy paths our chosen way.**

**From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
Be thy strong arm our ever sure defense.
Thy true religion in our hearts increase.
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.**

**Refresh thy people on their toilsome way.
Lead us from night to never-ending day.
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.**

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION

ONE: Go forth, as God's beloved children.

MANY: God's love surrounds us like a father's love.

ONE: Go in the knowledge of God's comfort and protection.

MANY: God's strength empowers us to be the best we can be.

ONE: Go in God's grace,

MANY: We go to share the love of God with all we meet!

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Darwall's 148th"

Williamson

WORSHIP NOTES:

The **Prayer for Father's Day** is written by John W. Vest, and posted on John Vest. <http://johnvest.com>

The **Prayer for Illumination** is posted on the Catholic Forum website. <http://www.catholic-forum.com/saints/pray0483.htm>

The **Responsive Benediction** is posted on Worship Words. <http://worshipwords.co.uk/prayer-of-intercession-for-fathers-day>

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