

WORSHIP NOTES

The story of the anointing of King David is one of many “call” stories in the Bible — stories where God chooses leaders and gifts them with abilities to serve. As Christians, we use the language of calling today to remember the vocation God has given each one of us. Often we think only those in ordained ministry are called, but in fact God gives unique gifts to each one of us to serve in ministry. The use of these gifts results in our vocation, the way in which we follow God in our daily lives through our work, service, and ministry to others. As David’s story shows us, God’s call often surprises us.

The words of the middle hymn, *God of Our Life*, were written by Hugh Thompson Kerr in 1916 for the 50th anniversary of the congregation he then served as pastor, the Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh. Kerr wrote it to be sung to the tune, *Sandon*, a melody that originally had been composed specifically for John Henry Newman’s then-popular hymn, *Lead, Kindly Light*.

The words to the recessional hymn, *O God of Earth and Altar*, are based closely upon a text by G. K. Chesterton written in 1906. Chesterton was a noted author, journalist and poet. A deep man of faith, he is one of several Christian writers of detective fiction. His famous detective was a mild-mannered English country priest named Father Brown. The tune, *Langloffan*, is one of many magisterial, often minor-key, Welsh folks tunes in our hymnal.

Orlando Gibbons (born Oxford, 1583; died Canterbury, June 5, 1625), composer of *Almighty and Everlasting God*, was an English composer and organist. He was Senior Organist of the Chapel Royal and also Organist of Westminster Abbey. He was one of the most important figures of the early 17th century, and was particularly notable for his individual church and organ music.

THE FLOWERS in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Everett Jenoure by Sara Hurst Jenoure.



NEXT SUNDAY’S PREACHER will be the Rev. Douglas T. King.

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— THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR — Fourth Sunday after Pentecost — ELEVEN O’CLOCK —

WELCOME The moments before worship are a transition from “getting here” to “being here.” Since it usually takes a few minutes to quiet one’s mind, and to become open to the Spirit, it is most appropriate to give one’s friends a silent wave of the hand, a nod of the head, or a friendly smile in lieu of initiating a conversation.

AFTER THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN, in order not to disrupt the worship service, latecomers will be seated by the ushers only at times when the congregation is standing, either during the Congregational Response following the assurance of forgiveness or during the second hymn.

VISITORS, please know how welcome you are. Please sign the Friendship Book when it passes you during the service of worship and identify yourself with a name tag to be found in the book. You are also cordially invited to attend Coffee Hour following worship.

IN THE ORDER OF WORSHIP that follows, an asterisk invites all to stand; items in bold type face indicate that the congregation participates in word or song.

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE DAY
1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 Psalm 20
2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13) 14-17 Mark 4:26-34

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Keith S. Tóth, *organist*

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Trustee Willis G. Ryckman IV

“Teaching Stewardship during the Matching Gift Challenge”

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God interrupted Samuel with an unexpected call.

People: “Here I am, Lord. Send me!”

Leader: God surprised Jesse, choosing his son, David, to be king.

People: “Here I am, Lord. Send me!”

Leader: God knows us well and calls us by name.

People: The Spirit calls all people, regardless of age or background.

Leader: We hear our name, and the love of Christ urges us on.

People: Draw us in and call us again, O God.

Leader: Help us to hear Your voice in our worship

People: and follow You.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 284

Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan

“O God, What You Ordain is Right”

PRAYER OF ADORATION 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 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.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, You call us to walk by faith, yet we long for plans with goals and schedules. You call us to place our trust in You, to live according to Your direction, yet we want life to make sense from a human point of view. You call us to serve You, yet we are reluctant to follow. You model for us a life of humility and sacrifice, yet we lean upon the world’s values of power and wealth. Call to us again, O God, and forgive our reluctance to follow. Shape us to be Your servants, in the name of the one Who died to save us all. Amen.

KYRIE 574

David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(Hymn 423, verse 5)*

Duke Street

Let every creature rise and bring honors peculiar to our King;

Angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud Amen!

THE WORD

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

Leader: People of God, what is our prayer for God’s children?

People: That God be with the children as they learn of Jesus and His love.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION AND

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Christopher L. Allen

1 Samuel 15:34 - 16:13 *(Pew Bible, page 259 .T.)*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

* HYMN 275

Sandon

“God of Our Life”

SERMON

Rev. Rebekah McLeod Hutto

“When God Chooses a Leader”

THE RESPONSE

* CONFESSION OF FAITH *(From A Brief Statement of Faith)*

The same Spirit

who inspired the prophets and apostles

rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,

engages us through the Word proclaimed,

claims us in the waters of baptism,

feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,

and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

In a broken and fearful world

the Spirit gives us courage

to pray without ceasing,

to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,

to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,

to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,

and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

* GLORIA PATRI 57

Henry W. Greatorex (1813-1858)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

world without end. Amen, Amen.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION, AND PETITION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray...

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

America

Not for this land alone,

But be God’s mercies shown from shore to shore;

And may the nations see that we must loving be,

And form one family the wide world o’er. Amen.

* INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

“Almighty and Everlasting God”

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities, stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us: through Christ our Lord. Amen.

* DOXOLOGY 592

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SENDING

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 291

Llangloffan

“O God of Earth and Altar”

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Keith S. Tóth, *organist*

If you would like someone to pray with you or wish to learn more about the Christian faith and The Brick Church, you may meet with members of our

Sunday Prayer Team after the service near the pulpit at the front of the Sanctuary.