



— THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR —
Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

— ELEVEN O'CLOCK —

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE DAY

Genesis 28:10-19a

Romans 8:12-25

Psalms 139:1-12, 23-24

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

THE BRICK CHURCH CALL TO CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
The Session of the Brick Presbyterian Church in the City of New York and the Commission on Ministry of the Presbytery of New York City are calling a congregational meeting following the 11 a.m. worship service on **Sunday, the 26th of July** to receive and vote on a report from the Pastor Nominating Committee recommending a candidate for the position of Senior Pastor of The Brick Presbyterian Church in the City of New York.

LIVESTREAM MINISTRY

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NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER will be the candidate for Senior Pastor

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

“My God is So High”

African American spiritual

My God is so high you can't get over Him; He's so low you can't get under Him, He's so wide you can't get around Him; You must come in by and through the Lamb. One day I was a walkin' along the heavenly road, my Savior spoke unto me an' He fill' my heart with love. My God is so high...

Jeremy Little, *tenor*
Steve Russell, *pianist*
(recorded in Brookhaven, MS)

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Hymn to Joy

(See sheet music at the end of this bulletin or page 8 in E. Deane Turner's "A Legacy of Sacred Songs")

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, so wonderfully You have made us, and so generously You have blessed us. Yet, we are tempted to look away from You and focus solely upon ourselves, to persuade ourselves of our power and wisdom, our honesty and good judgment, to believe we can stand alone without Your presence. Forgive us our failures of hubris and give us Your Spirit to resist this temptation. Show us ourselves, our problems, our powers, and our possibilities in perspective. Help us to place our trust in the firm foundation of Your abiding presence through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

THE WORD

ANTHEM

“Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee”

Edward C. Bairstow (1874-1946)

Jesu, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills my breast; but sweeter far Thy face to see, and in thy presence, rest. — *St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153)*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION AND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 12:13-30

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

The Rev. Douglas T. King

“Resilience: A Question of Control”

THE RESPONSE

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

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, Whom alone we worship and serve... With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

DOXOLOGY

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. Amen.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Treasures in Heaven”

Joseph W. Clokey (1890-1960)

Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. Buy lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Ask and it shall be given you, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you, for ever one that asketh receiveth, and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. — *Words from The Sermon on the Mount*

Melissa Raymond, *soprano*

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION, AND PETITION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray...

THE SENDING

HYMN

Wer nur den lieben Gott

“If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee”

(See sheet music at the end of this bulletin)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Johann Christopher Bach (1642-1703)

“Aus meines Herzens Grunde”

Keith S. Tóth, *organist*

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HYMN TO JOY 8.7.8.7 D

Henry van Dyke, 1907; alt.

Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824
Adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867); alt.

1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2. All Thy works with joy sur - round Thee, Earth and heaven re - flect Thy rays,
3. Mor - tals, join the hap - py cho - rus Which the morn - ing stars be - gan;

Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore Thee, Open - ing to the sun a - bove.
Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
Love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us, Join - ing all in heav - en's plan.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; Drive the gloom of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flower - y mea - dow, flash - ing sea,
Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife,

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.
Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, Call us to re - joice in Thee.
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward In the tri - umph song of life.

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Georg Neumark, 1657

Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1855, 1863; alt. 1987

Georg Neumark, 1657

1. If thou but trust in God to guide thee, With hope - ful
2. On - ly be still, and wait God's lei - sure In cheer - ful
3. Sing, pray, and swerve not from God's ways, But do thine

heart through all thy ways, God will give strength, what - e'er be - tide thee,
hope, with heart con - tent To take what - e'er thy Keep - er's plea - sure
own part faith - ful - ly; Trust the rich prom - is - es of grace,

To bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -
And all - dis - cern - ing love hath sent. No doubt our in - most
So shall they be ful - filled in thee. God nev - er yet for -

chang - ing love Builds on the rock that nought can move.
wants are clear To One who holds us al - ways dear.
sook at need The soul se - cured by trust in - deed.