

Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church Online Worship Service Sunday, June 21, 2020 at 11am Unraveled Series, Week 3

## **Gathering Around the Word**

Prelude I Worship You, Almighty God / Holy, Holy, Holy arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome and Announcements The Rev. Katie Day

\*Call to Worship The Rev. Jennie Sankey

One: Come in from the night.

All: It is a new day, and this is where love lives.

One: Take off your coat, let the weight fall off your shoulders;

All: For here, you are known; here, you are loved.

One: Come in from the rain.

All: We can do anything together. We can survive together.

One: When the world unravels from under your feet—come in.

All: Come in. One: Come in.

All: God is here. You are home. You will never be alone.
One: Let us worship the God who weaves us together. Amen.



This text was written for the 1979 National Meeting of United Presbyterian Women, whose theme, "In the Image of God," is variously considered here as reflection, focus, distortion, and polishing for clarity. The words are well set to an anonymous 19th-century American tune.

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your im - age,

PLEADING SAVIOR 8.7.8.7.D (alternate harmonization, 717) (alternate tune: AUSTRIAN HYMN)

pro - claim Christ ev - ery-where.

Call to Confession

The Rev. Jody Andrade

**Prayer of Confession** 

Holy God, We have been angry because we see suffering and we don't understand. We have been skeptical because we know heartbreak that doesn't seem fair. Forgive us for forgetting that you created the heavens and the earth. Forgive us for withholding our pain from you. Forgive us for thinking that we

know everything. When the world falls apart around us— when love unravels and life slowly fails— draw us in. Show us grace; for you gave the wind its weight and you gave our bodies life. Amen.

Response

Come and Find the Quiet Center, Stanza 1

Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead, Find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see All the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Assurance of Grace Jody

\*Passing of the Peace

Jody

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

## The Word Read and Proclaimed

Children's Sermon Jody

Prayer for Illumination Jennie

Scripture Reading Job 28:12-28 Katie

"But where shall wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding? Mortals do not know the way to it, and it is not found in the land of the living. The deep says, 'It is not in me,' and the sea says, 'It is not with me.' It cannot be gotten for gold, and silver cannot be weighed out as its price. It cannot be valued in the gold of Ophir, in precious onyx or sapphire. Gold and glass cannot equal it, nor can it be exchanged for jewels of fine gold. No mention shall be made of coral or of crystal; the price of wisdom is above pearls. The chrysolite of Ethiopia cannot compare with it, nor can it be valued in pure gold. "Where then does wisdom come from? And where is the place of understanding? It is hidden from the eyes of all living, and concealed from the birds of the air. Abaddon and Death say, 'We have heard a rumor of it with our ears.' "God understands the way to it, and he knows its place. For he looks to the ends of the earth, and sees everything under the heavens. When he gave to the wind its weight, and apportioned out the waters by measure; when he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the thunderbolt; then he saw it and declared it; he established it, and searched it out. And he said to humankind, 'Truly, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding."

Sermon Unraveled: Seeking Understanding When Everything Has Fallen Apart Katie

Anthem Come Unto Me Mark Blankenship

## Responding to the Word

Affirmation of Faith Katie

I believe in God, the Great Sewer— Who weaves us together in community, Collecting our loose ends and turning them into belonging.

I believe in the Holy Spirit—
Who hems us in before and behind,
Catching us when we fall and writing us into God's holy narrative.

And I believe in Jesus Christ— Who loved and claimed the people society had thrown out, refusing to disregard anyone as scrap.

I believe God has woven part of God's self into the fiber of our being, Making us inherently worthy of love and belonging.

I believe the fabric of my life is weak, That I am prone to error and need God's handiwork to remind me of love.

I believe in the Church, and that like a quilt of different fabrics, She is designed to be as diverse and beautiful as God's creation.

And I believe that when life unravels,
God is there to stitch my wounds together,
To hold me in the palm of God's hand,
To tell me of love,
And to invite me into a new journey.
Amen.

Prayers Jennie

Sung Prayer

Come and Find the Quiet Center, Stanza 3

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain, Let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain: There's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care, In the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare.

Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer
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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Offering Jody

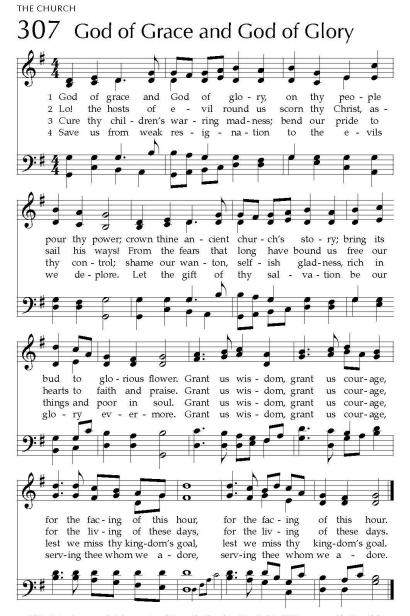
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Prayer of Dedication Jody

\*Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory #307



This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.

## Following the Word into the World

\*Charge and Benediction Katie

\*Postlude Wonderful Words of Life arr. Joel Raney

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