

Service in Celebration of the Life of  
Richard D. Weis  
November 5, 1949 - December 31, 2020

Prelude "O ignis Spiritus" Hildegard of Bingen  
"O eterne Deus"

Greeting

Thanksgiving for Baptism

"Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring" Johann Sebastian Bach  
Brian Hunt, organ

Opening Sentences

Jesus said: Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

Prayer

"The God of Abraham Praise" Glory to God Hymnal #49

Words of Remembrance

Prayer for Illumination

Readings from Scripture Amos 5:21-24  
Luke 9:57-60

Sermon and Words of Remembrance

Special Music

"The Monk and His Cat" from *Hermit Songs* Samuel Barber  
Cynthia Lawrence, soprano  
Barbara Rogers, piano

Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in God, the Creator of the Universe, who is our Parent; and in the Child, Jesus Christ, our Brother, who set us free and showed us the way to love; and in the Holy Spirit, who breathes on humankind the breath of God. We believe that God reveals Godself to us in the person the Son Jesus Christ was, and in the things he taught, and in relationships between people who try to be like him. We believe that through sacred Scripture, and through**

**works of literature, music, and art, the Holy Spirit gives us glimpses of the truth about God and ourselves.\***

**We believe that God has revealed Godself as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people; and that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged.** (from the *Belhar Confession of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*)

*\*from the Affirmation of Faith written by Richard Weis and Barbara Rogers for their wedding*

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Supplication and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer (from *The New Zealand Prayer Book*)

**Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-maker,  
Pain bearer,  
Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be,  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:  
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe;  
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world;  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings;  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom  
Sustain our hope and come on earth.  
With the bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trial too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.**

"Come! Live in the Light!" Glory to God Hymnal #749

Commendation

Blessing

Postlude

*Fanfare for the Common Man* Aaron Copland  
*University of Michigan Symphony Band*  
*Michael Haithcock, conductor*

*Thank you to those who have participated in this service:*  
*Quartet: Emma Scott, Hyunjin Kwak, Ben Boutell and Mason O'Brien*  
*The Rev. Mark Davis, Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Lexington, KY*  
*The Rev. Emily Miller, Pastor, Hunter Presbyterian Church,*  
*Lexington, KY*  
*Brian Hunt, Organist*  
*Valdis Zeps, Technology*

*\*Unless otherwise noted, the liturgy and prayers are from the Book of  
Common Worship of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).*

*Fanfare for the Common Man (1943), Aaron Copland,  
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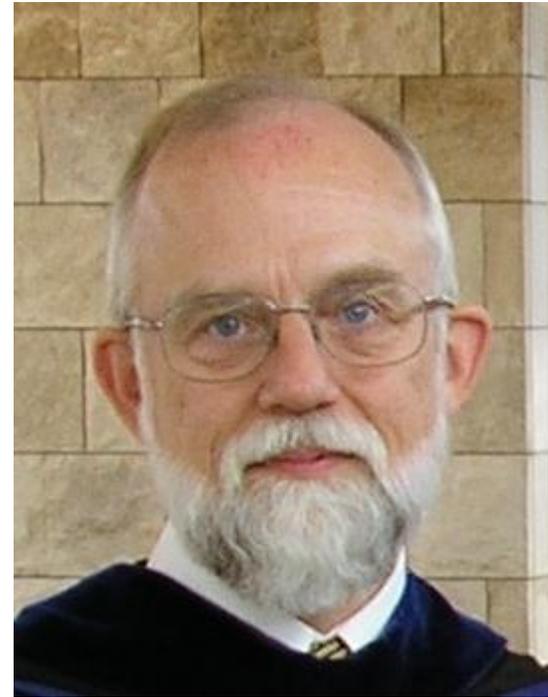
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*Richard D. Weis*

*January 12, 2021*

*11:00 a.m.*

# 49 The God of Abraham Praise

1 The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a-bove,  
 2 Your spir-it still flows free, high surg-ing where it will.  
 3 Your good-ly land we seek, with peace and plen-ty blest,  
 4 You have e-ter-nal life im-plant-ed in the soul;

the An-cient of E-ter-nal Days, the God of love!  
 In proph-et's word you spoke of old and you speak still.  
 a land of sa-cred lib-er-ty and Sab-bath rest.  
 your love shall be our strength and stay, while a-ges roll.

The Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con-fessed,  
 Es-tab-lished is your law, and change-less it shall stand,  
 There milk and hon-ey flow, and oil and wine a-bound,  
 We praise you, liv-ing God! We praise your ho-ly name:

we bow be-fore your ho-ly name, for-ev-er blest.  
 deep writ up-on the hu-man heart by your strong hand.  
 and trees of life for-ev-er grow with mer-cy crowned.  
 the first, the last, be-yond all thought, and still the same!

Shaped by its traditional Jewish tune, this selection of English stanzas conveys the essence of the *Yigdal*, a canticle based on a medieval Hebrew statement of faith about the nature of God and often used in synagogue worship, alternately chanted by cantor and congregation.

TEXT: Moses Maimonides, 12th cent.; vers. Daniel ben Judah Dayan, 1404; stanzas 1, 3, trans. Thomas Oliviers, c.1770, alt.; LEONI stanzas 2, 4, trans. Max Landsberg, Newton M. Mann, and William C. Gannett, 1884, 1910, alt. 6.6.8.4.D  
 MUSIC: Jewish melody, 17th cent.; adapt. Meyer Lyon and Thomas Oliviers, 1770

# 749 Come! Live in the Light!

## We Are Called

1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the  
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your  
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that

joy and the love of the Lord! We are called  
 mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called  
 great day when all will be one! God will reign,

to be light for the king-dom, to live in the  
 to be hope for the hope-less so ha-tred and  
 and we'll walk with each oth-er as sis-ters and

free-dom of the cit-y of God.  
 vio-lence will be no more.  
 broth-ers u-nit-ed in love.

Refrain  
 We are called to act with jus-tice; we are called to  
 love ten-der-ly; we are called to serve one an-  
 oth-er, to walk hum-bly with God.

The thematic and musical center of this hymn on the vocation of all believers is found in the refrain, which is based on the well-known challenge of Micah 6:8, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"

TEXT and MUSIC: David Haas, 1988  
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WE ARE CALLED  
 Irregular

O ignis Spiritus (7'12")

O ignis spiritus paracliti, vita vite omnis creature, sanctus es vivificando formas.	O fire of the comforting Spirit, life of the life of all creation, you are holy in giving life to all forms.
Sanctus es unguendo periculose fractos; sanctus es tergendo fetida vulnera.	You are holy in anointing the dangerously broken: you are holy in cleaning the reeking wound.
O spiraculum sanctitatis, o ignis caritatis, o dulcis gustus in pectoribus et infusio cordium in bono odore virtutum.	O path of virtue, O fire of love, O sweet draught in the breast and flooding of the heart with the good aroma of virtue.
O fons purissimus, in quo consideratur quod Deus alienos colligit et perditos requirit.	O purest fountain, in whom is contemplated that God has gathered the Gentiles and sought out the lost.
O lorica vite et spes compaginis membrorum omnium, et o singulum honestatis, salva beatos.	O armour of life and hope of binding all believers, O sword-belt of honesty, save the blessed.
Custodi eos qui carcerati sunt ab inimico, et solve ligatos quos divina vis salvare vult.	Guard all those who have been imprisoned by the enemy, and free the prisoners whom divine nature wishes to save.

O iter fortissimum quod penetravit omnia; in altissimis et in terrenis et in omnibus abyssis tu omnes componis et colligis.	O most steadfast path that penetrates all things; in the highest places, on the plains and in every abyss you soothe and unite all.
De te nubes fluunt, ether volat, lapides humorem habent, aqua rivulos educunt, et terra viriditatem sudat.	Through you the clouds float, the upper air flies, the stones possess moisture, the waters ripple and the earth exudes freshness.

Tu etiam semper educis doctos per inspirationem Sapientie letificatos.	You always educate with the breath of Wisdom.
Unde laus tibi sit, qui es sonus laudis, et gaudium vite, spes et honor fortissimus dans remia lucis.	Therefore, praise be to you who are the sound of praise and joy of life, hope, and greatest honor; who gave the reward of light.

O eterne Deus (2'25")

O eterne Deus nunc tibi placeat	O eternal God, now please
Ut in amore illo ardeas ut membra illa simus	radiate love upon us so we become members
Que fecisti in eodem amore,	of the group created in love
Cum Filium tuum genuisti	with your Son, born
In prima aurora ante omnem creaturam,	in the first dawn before all creation.
Et inspice necessitatem hanc	And consider this distress
Que super nos cadit	which falls upon us,
Et abstrahe eam a nobis	and take it from us
Propter Filium tuum,	for the sake of your Son,
Et perduc nos in leticiam salutis.	and lead us to the joy of your salvation.

(Hildegard of Bingen, translated by Rosa Lamoreaux)

Rosa Lamoreaux, soprano  
Tina Chancey and Scott Reiss (Instrumentalists of Hesperus)

“The Monk and His Cat” from *Hermit Songs* by Samuel Barber  
(Track 13 on A Journey Through Time Northwestern College Faculty Artist Series)

Pangur, white Pangur,  
How happy we are  
Alone together,  
Scholar and cat.  
Each has his own work to do daily;  
For you it is hunting, for me study.  
Your shining eye watches the wall; my feeble eye is fixed on a book.  
You rejoice when your claws entrap a mouse;  
I rejoice when my mind  
Fathoms a problem.  
Pleased with his own art,  
Neither hinders the other;  
Thus we live ever  
Without tedium and envy.  
Pangur, white Pangur,  
How happy we are  
Alone together,  
Scholar and cat.  
Pangur, white pangur,  
How happy we are.

(8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> century, translated by W. H. Auden)

Cynthia Lawrence, soprano  
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