

OFFERING *Ushers with offering plates will pass by each pew. Please pass your gift to the usher or place in the box on the table in the rear of the sanctuary.*

Randy Bunnell, 8:45am
Rebecca Sullivant, 11:00am

How Lovely are Thy Dwellings

Samuel Liddle
Text: Psalm 84:1-3, 10

How lovely are Thy dwellings, O Lord of hosts!
My soul longeth, yea, fainteth, for the courts of the Lord.
My heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.
Yea, the sparrow hath found her a house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young. Even Thine alters,
O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God,
than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.
For a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand.

PSALTER *responsively* *Psalm 84* UMH, 805

HOMILY *Some Thresholds Are for Crossing*

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION* 8:45am *see insert*
Let Us Break Bread Together, 618

We welcome you, as your mask remains on, to come forward to share the Bread and Cup. Upon receiving the Meal, simply remove your mask at that moment, then return to your pew with your mask on. Or, if you would like to remain where you are, we welcome you to utilize the Communion packet at your pew.

HYMN* *From All That Dwells Below the Skies, 101 (verses 1 & 4)*

BENEDICTION

Go now in peace. **Stand firm in your faith. Be strong. Be brave.**
Let everything you do be done in love.

POSTLUDE *March in G* Henry Smart, 11:00am

OFFERING— Your generosity and gifts enable Rayne's ministries, thank you! Offerings will be received in the box on the table in the rear of the sanctuary behind the last pew. You can also give online (raynenola.org/contribute), by texting "giverayne" to 73256, or using the QR code.



WE WELCOME ALL— All are invited to participate fully in the life of this community of faith and love regardless of race, class, gender, or sexual orientation. We welcome all with open hearts, open minds, and open doors! Those who wish to become members are encouraged to contact: jay@raynenola.org.



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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Rayne, General Taylor Street door

Our altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Michelle Mathew and in memory of Sylvia Frey
by Babs Mollere.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE GOSPEL

Welcome to All!

All are invited to participate in any of our activities,
and to become a part of this community of faith and love.

GATHERING

Rev. Jay Hogewood

How lovely is the dwelling place of God! May our hearts become a place where God's Spirit lives. May our words become bold words of love and grace. And may our worship be worthy of the Lord.

PRELUDE

Andante

Joseph Rheinberger, 11:00am
Marcus St. Julien

CALL TO WORSHIP* *responsively*

Rev. Marissa Teauseau Horvath

Welcome to this holy space where God's Spirit dwells among us!

We come longing to feel the presence of God.

Open our hearts, for this is a place of prayer and healing.

This is a place of joy and faith.

This is the place for all God's children.

Thanks be to God!

HYMN*

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven, 66 (verses 1 & 3)

PRAYER

The indwelling presence of God's love be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

Holy One, you have called us here - a holy space where we encounter your Spirit. We gather to pray and to be forgiven, to love and be loved, and to hear your instruction boldly proclaimed as we apply it to our lives. Open our hearts to the mystery of your mercy. Lead us into your holy presence that we might serve as agents of your wisdom and healing power.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

11:00am

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**The People Standing*

RESPONSE *Singing*

It Is Well with My Soul, 377

When peace like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou has taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

UMH 39, 11:00am

Lanier Isabelle Zaunbrecher

Born February 22, 2021

Parents, Camille and Davis Zaunbrecher

Sister, Juliett Clare

THIRD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION AND BLESSING OF EDUCATORS

Gracious God, we lift to you today, all our students.

These are not easy days,

so we need your help and your wisdom.

We ask your blessing on their efforts:

to study and to learn in the school year ahead.

We ask your blessing on each of them so that they may grow

in body, mind, spirit and relationships.

We pray as well for the teachers and administrators

in our schools and universities.

May they also be sustained by your peace, mercy, and love.

May they be reminded and encouraged that our Rayne community of faith embraces their call to teaching and learning and surrounds them with love and care.

We pray in the name of Jesus who we seek to follow day by day.

Amen.

Eleanor Albrecht

Parker Pilie

Riley Batenga

Madelyn Sepanik

Cora Landry

Holly Thomas

Olivia Lemann

Stella Walmsley

Flora Meck

HYMN

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven, 66

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to the throne thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore God's praises sing.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

3. Fatherlike, God tends and spares us; well our feeble frame God
knows; motherlike, God gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet God's mercy flows.

COMMUNION HYMN 8:45am *Let Us Break Bread Together, 618*

1. Let us break bread together on our knees.
Let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

2. Let us drink wine together on our knees.
Let us drink wine together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

3. Let us praise God together on our knees.
Let us praise God together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us break bread together; Let us drink the cup together;
Let us praise God together on our knees.
O Lord, have mercy on me.

HYMN

From All That Dwells Below the Skies, 101

1. From all that dwell below the skies, let the Creator's praise arise;
let the Redeemer's name be sung, through every land by every
tongue.

4. In every land begin the song; to every land the strains belong;
in cheerful sounds all voices raise, and fill the world with loudest
praise.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION*

All are welcome at the table!

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent
of their sin, and seek to live in peace with one another.
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION

Gracious God, we often forget that you dwell in our hearts and
heads. We fail to notice that your Holy Spirit is present in our lives at
all times. When we forget, we admit we stumble and fall; we turn
away from you. Then we trust in worldly goods instead of your faith-
ful love and care. Help us turn again to your grace, your healing and
your truth. Forgive us and restore us to newness of life.

(silence)

PARDON

'No good thing does the Lord withhold from those who walk uprightly.'
Sisters and brothers,
receive God's forgiveness and dwell in love and grace.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
And so with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we
praise your name and join their unending hymn:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are
full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in
the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

And so in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living
sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,

as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER