

Service for the Lord's Day

Pre-Service Music Improvisation on *Be Still my Soul*
Hayden Glasgow, Organ Scholar

Concerns of the Congregation

Call to Worship Psalm 47:8-9 Hugh Ralston
One: God reigns over the nations.
All: God sits on his holy throne.
One: We gather as God's own holy people.
All: We give thanks to the Lord God Almighty,
One: Who is the beginning and the end of all.
All: Blessed be our eternal God whose great power reigns.

Prelude Fugue in E major, BWV 878 J.S. Bach
Hayden Glasgow, Organ Scholar

Ringing of the Revere Tower Bell

Let the ringing of the bell call our attention away from ourselves and onto the living Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

***Hymn #22** Stand Up and Bless the Lord

***Invocation**

***Prayer of Confession**

All: Lord Jesus, we have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in our daily lives. Our sins and shortcomings accuse us, but we thank you that they will not stand against us, for all our sin has been laid on Christ Jesus. Deliver us from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, everything that prevents us from taking delight in you. Though the powerful name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

***Moments of Silent Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

Proverbs 28:13

One: Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

This is our Good News!

All: Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri #575**

Glory Be to the Father

Anthem

Consecration

Frances R. Havergal and

Covenant Choir

John Ness Beck

Take my life and let it be consecrated to thee.

Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love.

Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only for my king.

Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold.

Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it thine, it shall be no longer mine.

Take my heart, it is thine own, it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord I pour at thy feet, its treasure store.

Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Offertory

Andantino

Edward Elgar

Hayden Glasgow, Organ

***Doxology #572**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn #324**

Be Still My Soul

Scripture Lesson

Philippians 1:15-28

Rev. Dr. Robert C. Anderson

Pew Bible pg. 830 Large Print Bible pg. 1826

It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. The latter do so out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains. But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice.

Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, for I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance. I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body. Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, so that through my being with you again your boasting in Christ Jesus will abound on account of me.

Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit, striving together as one for the faith of the gospel without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you. This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved—and that by God. For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him, since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.

One: This is God's Word for God's People.

All: Thanks be to God.

SermonTo Live is Christ and
to Die is Gain

Rev. Dr. Robert C. Anderson

***Hymn #351**

Oh Love that will not Let Me Go

Benediction*Postlude**

Andrew Hackett, Organist

Improvisation on St. Margaret

*Those who are able, please stand.

The flowers on the communion table are given to the glory of God
by Bob Goering in loving memory of Ruth Goering.

22 Stand Up and Bless the Lord

Stand up and bless the Lord your God, for ever and ever. Nch. 9:5

James Montgomery, 1824

ST. MICHAEL S.M.
Genevan Psalter, 1551
Art. by William Crotch, 1836

1. Stand up and bless the Lord, Ye peo - ple of His
2. Though high a - bove all praise, A - bove all bless - ing
3. O for the liv - ing flame From His own al - tar
4. God is our strength and song, And His sal - va - tion
5. Stand up and bless the Lord, The Lord your God a -

choice; Stand up and bless the Lord your God
high, Who would not fear His ho - ly name,
brought, To touch our lips, our minds in - spire,
ours; Then be His love, in Christ pro - claimed
dore; Stand up and bless His glo - rious name,

With heart and soul and voice.
And laud and mag - ni - fy?
And wing to heav'n our thought!
With all our ran - somed pow'rs.
Hence - forth for - ev - er - more. A - men.

324 Be Still, My Soul

Be still, and know that I am God. Psa. 46:10

Katharina A. von Schlegel, 1752
Trans. by Jane L. Borthwick, 1855

FINLANDIA 10 10 10 10 10 10
Jean Sibelius, 1899
Arr. for *The Hymnal*, 1933

1. Be still, my soul! the Lord is on thy side; Bear pa-tient-ly the
2. Be still, my soul! thy God doth un-der-take To guide the fu-ture
3. Be still, my soul! the hour is has-t'ning on When we shall be for-

cross of grief or pain; Leave to thy God to or-der and pro-vide;
as He has the past. Thy hope, thy con-fi-dence let noth-ing shake;
ev-er with the Lord, When dis-ap-point-ment, grief, and fear are gone,

In ev-ery change He faith-ful will re-main. Be still, my soul! thy
All now mys-te-rious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul! the
Sor-row for-got, love's pur-est joys re-stored. Be still, my soul! when

best, thy heav'n-ly Friend Thro' thorn-y ways leads to a joy-ful end.
waves and winds still know His voice who ruled them while He dwelt be-low.
change and tears are past, All safe and bless-ed we shall meet at last.

351 O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

The Lord hath appeared . . . saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love. Jer. 31:3

ST. MARGARET 8 8 8 8 6

George Matheson, 1882

Albert L. Peace, 1884

1. O Love that will not let me go, I rest my wea - ry
2. O Light that fol - l'west all my way, I yield my flick - 'ring
3. O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not close my
4. O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not ask to

soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, That
torch to Thee; My heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, That
heart to Thee; I trace the rain - bow through the rain, And
fly from Thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, And

in Thine o - cean depths its flow May rich - er, full - er be.
in Thy sun-shine's blaze its day May bright-er, fair - er be.
feel the prom - ise is not vain That morn shall tear - less be.
from the ground there blos - soms red Life that shall end - less be. A - men.

This Week at CFPC

Sunday, August 14

- 9:15 AM — Choir Rehearsal
- 9:15 AM — Adult Sunday School
- 10:30 AM — Worship
- 11:30 AM — Fellowship Time in Metzger Hall
- 4 PM — Thomas Heidenreich Organ Recital

Wednesday, August 17

- 12 PM — Brown Bag Bible Study

Thursday, August 18

- 6 PM — Senior Singles Outing, RSVP required

Saturday, August 20

- 7:30 AM — Men’s Bible Study in the Chapel

Due to staff vacations the church office will be closed on Thursday, August 18 and Friday, August 19, messages and emails will still be checked.

Planning Ahead at CFPC

Sunday, August 21

- 9:15 AM — Choir Rehearsal
- 9:15 AM — Adult Sunday School
- 10:30 AM — Worship — Lisa Allgood and Margaret Heidenreich leading in worship
- 11:30 AM — Fellowship Time in Metzger Hall

Wednesday, August 124

- 12 PM — No Brown Bag Bible Study — Pastor Bob on Vacation

Saturday, August 20

- 7:30 AM — Men’s Bible Study in the Chapel

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Looking Ahead to Sunday, August 14

During the next two weeks Dr. Anderson will be on vacation. Next Sunday, August 21, our Covenant-First Seminarian at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, Margaret Heidenreich will lead our service. Margaret is in preparation for Ordination as Minister of Word and Sacrament and our support and prayers for her help create a God-honoring future for the church of Christ.— **Pastor Bob**

I’m looking forward to leading worship next Sunday—and also pretty nervous about it! I preached a few times at the little church in Pittsburgh where I had my “field education” but I know it will feel different when I’m at CFPC. I’ll be using 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 as my sermon text. Thank you for the opportunity to lead worship and to preach, and for supporting me during my studies at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. — **Margaret**