

Service for the Lord's Day

Pre-Service Music Voluntary in the style of Mendelssohn Andrew Hackett
Andrew Hackett, Organist

Concerns of the Congregation

Call to Worship Psalm 121:1-2, 8 Brian Calfano
One: I lift up my eyes to the mountains—where does my help come from?
All: My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.
One: The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

Prelude Improvisation on *Slane*
Andrew Hackett, Organist

Ringling 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 #344** Be Thou My Vision

*Invocation

*Prayer of Confession

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

*Moments of Silent Confession

*Assurance of Pardon Titus 3:4-7

One: But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. By God's mercy our sins are forgiven and we've been made new! This is the Good News.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Hymn #394**

Jesus I am Resting, Resting

Scripture Lesson

Numbers 13:1-2, 17-33

Rev. Dr. Robert Anderson

Pew Bible pg. 104 Large Print Bible pg. 227

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Seeing Your Future with Faith

Rev. Dr. Robert Anderson

***Hymn #440**

All the Way My Savior Leads Me

***Benediction**

Postlude

Carillon de Longport

Louis Vierne

Hayden Glasgow, Organ Scholar

*Those who are able, please stand

Looking Ahead — January 30

As we continue our look at the importance of Vision, we will look at the importance of "seeing" God's vision for his people, writing it down and carrying it forth. The word of the Lord in Habakkuk 2:2 instructs us to write his vision. Writing the vision is obedience to what God has asked us to do. The simple act of doing what the word of God says shifts us from being a passive, laid-back "hearer" to an active, engaged "doer." Acting on God's instruction puts us in a position to receive his best. Read Habakkuk this week in preparation!



Be Thou My Vision 344

What things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. Phil. 3:7

Irish hymn, c. 8th century
 Trans. by Mary E. Byrne, 1905
 Versified by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912

SLANE 10 10 10 10
 Traditional Irish melody
 Arr. by Donald P. Hustad, 1973

Unison

1. Be Thou my Vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2. Be Thou my Wis - dom, and Thou my true Word;
 3. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise,
 4. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—
 I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
 Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 May I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 Thou my great Fa - ther, I Thy true son;
 Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
 Thou in me dwell - ing, and I with Thee one.
 High King of heav - en, my Treas - ure Thou art.
 Still be my Vi - sion, O Rul - er of all. A - men.

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HOPE AND ASPIRATION

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting 394

Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith. Heb. 12:2

TRANQUILLITY 8785 D. Ref.

Jean S. Pigott, 1876

James Mountain, 1876

1. Je - sus, I am rest - ing, rest - ing In the joy of what Thou art;
 2. O, how great Thy lov - ing kind - ness, Vast - er, broad - er than the sea!
 3. Sim - ply trust - ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, I be - hold Thee as Thou art,
 4. Ev - er lift Thy face up - on me As I work and wait for Thee;
 (Ref.) Je - sus, I am rest - ing, rest - ing In the joy of what Thou art;

Fine

I am find - ing out the great - ness Of Thy lov - ing heart.
 O, how mar - vel - ous Thy good - ness, Lav - ished all on me!
 And Thy love, so pure, so change - less, Sat - is - fies my heart;
 Rest - ing 'neath Thy smile, Lord Je - sus, Earth's dark shad - ows flee.
 I am find - ing out the great - ness Of Thy lov - ing heart.

Thou hast bid me gaze up - on Thee, And Thy beau - ty fills my soul,
 Yes, I rest in Thee, Be - lov - ed, Know what wealth of grace is Thine,
 Sat - is - fies its deep - est long - ings, Meets, sup - plies its ev - ery need,
 Bright - ness of my Fa - ther's glo - ry, Sun - shine of my Fa - ther's face,

D.C. Refrain

For by Thy trans - form - ing pow - er, Thou hast made me whole.
 Know Thy cer - tain - ty of prom - ise, And have made it mine.
 Com - pass - eth me round with bless - ings: Thine is love in - deed!
 Keep me ev - er trust - ing, rest - ing, Fill me with Thy grace.

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PEACE AND JOY

440 All the Way My Savior Leads Me

I will guide thee with Mine eye. Psa. 32:8

Fanny J. Crosby, 1875

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Robert Lowry, 1875

1. All the way my Sav-ior leads me; What have I to ask be-side?
2. All the way my Sav-ior leads me; Cheers each wind-ing path I tread;
3. All the way my Sav-ior leads me; O the full-ness of His love!

Can I doubt His ten-der mer-cy, Who through life has been my guide?
Gives me grace for ev-ery tri-al, Feeds me with the liv-ing bread;
Per-fect rest to me is prom-ised In my Fa-ther's house a-bove;

Heav'n-ly peace, di-vin-est com-fort, Here by faith in Him to dwell!
Though my wea-ry steps may fal-ter, And my soul a-thirst may be,
When my spir-it, clothed im-mor-tal, Wings its flight to realms of day,

For I know, what-e'er be-fall me, Je-sus do-eth all things well;
Gush-ing from the rock be-fore me, Lo! a spring of joy I see,
This my song through end-less a-ges, Je-sus led me all the way.



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This Week at Covenant-First

Sunday, January 23

9 AM — Choir Rehearsal

9:15 AM — Adult Sunday School

9:30 AM — Teen Bible Study

10:30 AM — Worship

11:30 AM — Fellowship Time

12 Noon — Nominating Committee Meeting in the Ruth Fox conference room

Wednesday, January 26

12 PM — Brown Bag Bible Study

Saturday, January 29

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

Planning Ahead

Sunday, January 30

9 AM — Choir Rehearsal

9:15 AM — Adult Sunday School

9:30 AM — Teen Bible Study

10:30 AM — Worship

11:30 AM — Fellowship Time

Monday, January 31

6:30 PM — Session Meeting in the Chapel

Wednesday, February 2

12 PM — Brown Bag Bible Study

Saturday, February 5

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

2022 Per Capita

The annual per capita payment for 2022 is once again \$33/member (\$66/couple). This is the third year with no increase in per capita, after a decrease the prior year — thank you, Executive Presbyter Lisa Allgood and team for running our Presbytery so efficiently! The per capita supports the operating budget of our Presbytery, as well as broader denominational expenses. You can make a special donation to help offset this cost by using one of the special envelopes in your boxed set, or simply marking your check or pew envelope, “per capital”. Questions? See Rob Heidenreich, Clerk of Session. Thanks!