

# David & **GOLIATH**



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**The Service for the Lord's Day**  
**Bethel Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Father's Day**  
**June 20, 2021 – 11:00 AM**

*\* Indicates congregation standing if able.  
Congregational responses indicated in bold.*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship (*L = Leader, P = People*)

**L:** We have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus  
and of the love that you have for all the saints.

**P:** **We have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth,  
the gospel that has come to us.**

**L:** We have not ceased praying for you and asking that  
you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will,

**P:** **So that we may lead lives worthy of the Lord  
as we bear fruit in every good work.**

**L:** Let us worship God!

Prayer of Invocation

Most Holy God, you know our every thought and deed;  
our lives are not hid from you.

You dwell in the heights, yet you stoop to hear us.

You inhabit the depths,

yet you rise to support our efforts to serve you.

You encompass the whole of creation,  
and are yet concerned for our needs.

All praise to you, eternal God;

we honor and glorify your holy name. Amen.

\* Hymn

“GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY” CWM RHONDDA

*God of grace and God of glo-ry,  
on thy peo-ple pour thy power;  
crown thine an-cient chur-ch's sto-ry;  
bring its bud to glo-rious flower.  
Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,  
for the fac-ing of this hour,  
for the fac-ing of this hour.*

*Lo! the hosts of e-vil round us  
scorn thy Christ, as-sail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us,  
free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,  
for the liv-ing of these days,  
for the liv-ing of these days.*

*Cure thy chil-dren's war-ring mad-ness;  
bend our pride to thy con-trol;  
shame our wan-ton, self-ish glad-ness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,  
lest we miss thy king-dom's goal,  
lest we miss thy king-dom's goal.*

*Save us from weak res-ig-na-tion  
to the e-vils we de-plore.  
Let the gift of thy sal-va-tion  
be our glo-ry ev-er-more.  
Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,  
serv-ing thee whom we a-dore,  
serv-ing thee whom we a-dore.*

\* Call to Confession

The Apostle Paul reminds us  
that when we say we are without sin we fool only ourselves,  
but when we confess our sins  
God welcomes us with open arms and forgiveness.

\* Corporate Prayer of Confession

**God of compassion, we confess before you that we have sinned. We have passed by your neighbors, and ignored opportunities to show them mercy. We have mocked their misery by making excuses to avoid their plight. We who have been taught the law of love practice instead the law of self-interest. Forgive us, we pray, for the sake of the Christ who came to bind up the wounds of the one by the side of the road. Amen.**

\* Sung Response      “SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD”      LIVING GOD

*Spir-it of the liv-ing God, fall a-fresh on me.*

*Spir-it of the liv-ing God, fall a-fresh on me.*

*Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.*

*Spir-it of the liv-ing God, fall a-fresh on me.*

\* Declaration of Forgiveness

L: Hear Paul’s words when he writes of God,  
who has transferred us from the dominion of darkness  
and to the care of Christ our Savior.

**P: We walk in Christ’s love  
with assurance of our redemption  
and the forgiveness of sins.**

\* Sung Response      “HELELUYAN”      NATIVE AMERICAN

*He-le-lu-yan, he-le-lu-yan: he-le, he-le-lu-yan;*

*He-le-lu-yan, he-le-lu-yan; he-le, he-le-lu-yan.*

Prayer for Illumination

Open our eyes that we may see, our ears that we may hear, our  
minds that we may understand, and our hearts that we may love  
your word read and proclaimed this day. Amen.

Readings from Scripture

History 1 Samuel 17:1a, 4-11, 19-23, 32-49 (*David and Goliath*)

Gospel Mark 4:35-41 (*Jesus Stills a Storm*)

Sermon "Facing Giants and Calming Storms"

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\* Affirmation of Faith

*(Taken from The Brief Statement of Faith, 1991,  
The Book of Confessions, Presbyterian Church U.S.A.)*

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,**

**everywhere the giver and renewer of life.**

**The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,**

**sets us free to accept ourselves**

**and to love God and neighbor,**

**and binds us together with all believers**

**in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

**The same Spirit**

**who inspired the prophets and apostles**

**rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,**

**engages us through the Word proclaimed,**

**claims us in the waters of baptism,**

**feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,**

**and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.**

**In a broken and fearful world**

**the Spirit gives us courage**

**to pray without ceasing,**

**to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,**

**to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,**

**to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,**

**and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,**

**we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks**

**and to live holy and joyful lives,**

**even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,**

**praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Supplication

All-knowing God,

you discern our thoughts and are acquainted with all our ways.

Before a word is on our lips you know it altogether.

You lay your hand upon us as Christ calls us to ministry.

You fill us with your Holy Spirit,

who leads us by your wisdom and counsel.

You guide us throughout our journey's length,

forgiving our waywardness, equipping us to serve you,  
and fulfilling our needs.

Nothing we can do escapes your eye.

There is nowhere we can hide from you.

You are within and without, before us and beyond us.

O God of our being, we give you praise and thanksgiving.

Hasten the day when our love for you

matches your mercy toward us.

Enlarge our hearts to the dimensions of your mercy,

and help us to return to you a measure of the love you give to us.

Purify our souls with your continuing assurance of pardon,

and save us from our love of idols and vain display.

Strengthen us whereby we may serve you more effectively

and glorify your name through obedience to Christ.

Give us the mind of Christ as we look upon our neighbor.

Keep us from passing by those whom society overlooks.

Plant indelibly on our hearts the plight of the homeless,

the forsaken, and the poor.

Lend us a portion of your grace

as we seek to lift them from despair.

Cause their fainting spirits to feel the gentle embrace of Jesus

our Savior, who came that all may have life

and have it abundantly.

We continue our prayer together using the words

Jesus taught his disciples saying...

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 sins,  
as we forgive those who sin 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.**

Invitation to the Offering

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it.

Let us present the offerings of our life and labor to the Lord. Amen

Prayer of Dedication

God of grace and truth, you fill us with the knowledge of your will,  
that we may gain spiritual wisdom and understanding.

We seek to lead a life worthy of your calling in Christ.

We bring you the fruit, born of your graciousness,  
with the prayer that it may be fitting of your blessing and glory.  
Amen.

\* Hymn

**“WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME”**

*“Will you come and fol-low me  
if I but call your name?*

*Will you go where you don't know  
and nev-er be the same?*

*Will you let my love be shown;  
will you let my name be known;  
will you let my life be grown in you  
and you in me?”*

*“Will you leave your-self be-hind  
if I but call your name?*

*Will you care for cruel and kind  
and nev-er be the same?*

*Will you risk the hos-tile stare  
should your life at-tract or scare?  
Will you let me an-swer prayer in you  
and you in me?”*

*“Will you let the blind-ed see  
if I but call your name?  
Will you set the pris-oners free  
and nev-er be the same?  
Will you kiss the lep-er clean,  
and do such as this un-seen,  
and ad-mit to what I mean in you  
and you in me?”*

*“Will you love the ‘you’ you hide  
if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear in-side  
and ne-ver be the same?  
Will you use the faith you’ve found  
to re-shape the world a-round,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you  
and you in me?”*

*Lord, your sum-mons ech-oes true  
when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and fol-low you  
and nev-er be the same.  
In Your com-pa-ny I’ll go  
where your love and foot-steps show.  
Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you  
and you in me.*

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Sung Response **“COME O HOLY SPIRIT, COME”**

*Come, O Ho-ly Spir-it, come;  
Come, al-might-y Spir-it, come;  
Come, come, come.*

Postlude



“God of Grace and God of Glory”

Text: Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930, alt.

Music: John Hughes, 1907

“Spirit of the Living God”

Text: Daniel Iverson, 1926

Music: Daniel Iverson, 1926

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“Heleluyan”

Text: Native American (Muscogee)

Transcribed by Charles Webb, 1989

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“Will You Come and Follow Me”

Text: John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1987

Music: Scottish melody; arr. John L. Bell, 1987

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“Come, O Holy Spirit, Come”

Text: Nigerian song; English trans. I-to Loh, 1986

Music: Nigerian melody, taught by Samuel Solanke;

transcr. I-to Loh, 1986

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