



Pilgrim Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
February 13, 2022

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Prelude and Fugue in F Major - JS Bach
To You - Richard Burxvoort-Colligan
What a Covenant - NCH 471**
Fugue - Beethoven. arr. Scott M. Hyslop

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Today's service will be recorded.

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- Prelude Prelude and Fugue in F Major - JS Bach Dot Bowe
- Greetings and Announcements Rev. Reebee Kavich Girash and Sarah Jane Fuller
- *Passing of the Peace Duncan Todd
- One: Peace be with you.
- All: And also with you.**
- One: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.
- *Call to Worship Duncan Todd
- One: To you, O God, we lift up our souls.
- All: From you, O God, we learn paths of truth and compassion.**
- One: We would wait for you, O God, all day long,
- All: But you have met us here, this morning,**
- One: Just as you do each day.
- All: When we follow you, all our paths are ones of steadfast love and faithfulness,
 as we keep your covenant and follow your teaching.**

*Opening Prayer

Duncan Todd

Spirit of life, God of love, open our hearts and enter in, that hearing your word of love, we may become your love for others. Amen.

Children and Youth are invited to attend Sunday School at this time.

Scripture Readings

Psalm 25:6-10 (The Inclusive Bible translation)

Duncan Todd

⁶Remember your mercies, God, your love— your ancient and unwavering love!

⁷Pardon the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; remember me because of your love, because of your goodness, God!

⁸And how good and upright you are, God! You instruct sinners in the path,
⁹you guide the humble in what is right, and teach them your way.

¹⁰All of your paths, God, are full of love and faithfulness for those who keep your Covenant and Testimonies.

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16 (The Inclusive Bible translation)

I plead with you, then, in the name of our Redeemer, to lead a life worthy of your calling.

²Treat one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. ³Do all you

can to preserve the unity of the Spirit through the peace that binds you together. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called into one hope when you were called. ⁵ There is one Savior, one faith, one baptism, ⁶ one God and Creator of all, who is over all, who works through all and is within all. ⁷ Each of us has received God’s grace in the measure in which Christ has bestowed it.

¹¹ And to some, the gift they were given is that they should be apostles; to some, prophets; to some, evangelists; to some, pastors and teachers. ¹² These gifts were given to equip fully the holy ones for the work of service, and to build up the body of Christ—¹³ until we all attain unity in our faith and in our knowledge of the Only Begotten of God, until we become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. ¹⁴ Let us then be children no longer, tossed here and there, carried about by every wind of doctrine, or by human trickery or crafty, deceitful schemes. ¹⁵ Rather, let us speak the truth in love, and grow to the full maturity of Christ, the head. ¹⁶ Through Christ, the whole body grows. With the proper functioning of each member, firmly joined together by each supporting ligament, the body builds itself up in love.

One: Here end the readings. Hear what the Spirit of God is saying to the church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Rev. Reebee Girash

Prayers of the People Rev. Reebee Girash

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Reebee Girash

Lord's Prayer

Our Father (Creator), 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.

Invitation to the Offering Rev. Reebee Girash

Offertory To You - Richard Bruxvoort Colligan Dot Bowe and Max Evrard

*Doxology - #515 Pilgrim Hymnal (Red)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen

or

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Reebee Girash

Holy God, you have given each of us grace, all of us together, grace. You have given each of us steadfast love, all of us together, steadfast love. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we offer our gifts of time, talent, and treasure back to you.

Bless these gifts that they may be part of the building of your realm of love and justice.

Amen.

*Hymn

“What a Covenant”

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1 What a covenant, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.

REFRAIN:

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms.
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms. [REFRAIN]

3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Savior near,
leaning on the everlasting arms. [REFRAIN]

1 What a *cov - e - nant, what a joy di - vine, lean - ing on the ev - er -
2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way, lean - ing on the ev - er -
3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean - ing on the ev - er -

last - ing arms. What a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine, lean - ing
last - ing arms. Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, lean - ing
last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Sav - ior near, lean - ing

Refrain
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on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

all a - larms; lean - ing, lean - ing, lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Benediction

Postlude

Fugue - Beethoven arr. Scott M. Hyslop

Dot Bowe

*Please be in a posture of praise.

A special thank you to **Duncan Todd** for being our liturgist today, and to **Mike Stevens** for being our Zoom host.

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