



The Vision of Ezekiel, oil on canvas (1630) Francisco Collantes (1599-1656)
Museo del Prado, Madrid, Spain

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 28, 2018

10:45 a.m.

*WORDS OF WELCOME – Welcome to Faith Church; we are glad you are here.
Infant and childcare (through preschool) are provided all morning in the nursery, the second room on the right through the door by the pulpit. Children through the age of 4 may proceed to the childcare room following the “Moment with Faith Kids” for the remainder of the service.
Worship Bags are available in the back pews of the sanctuary.*

THE CHURCH GATHERS

The candle is lit as a prayer for peace.

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Randal Woodfield

Prelude *Adagio*

Charles Marie Widor
(1844-1937)

*Please, stand if you are able.

*Call to Worship

Mozella Williams

One: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth and worship with gladness.
Come into God's presence with singing!

All: For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures.

One: The grace of Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you. Let us worship God!

*Hymn 32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

Prayer of Confession

Mozella Williams

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

~ Book of Common Worship (Louisville: Westminster/ John Knox Press, 1993), p. 54.

Silence is observed.

Assurance of Pardon

Mozella Williams

The mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Amen.**

*Sung Response 591 Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

HALLE, HALLE

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!
Sung Four Times

*The Peace of Christ

Mozella Williams

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

TO PROCLAIM AND EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Moment with Faith Kids

Karen Burd

Prayer for Illumination

Mozella Williams

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word. Silence in us any voices but your

own, so that we may hear and follow your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

First Lesson 1 Thessalonians 1:2, 8-10

Mozella Williams

Second Lesson Ezekiel 6: 8-14

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sermon "When You Don't Like God" Dr. Arthur M. Sutherland

***Hymn 432** How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord REPTON

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer Dr. Sutherland

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.

OFFERING

Offertory To God Be the Glory

William H. Doane
(1832-1915)

Vivian Slacum, piano

***Offering Response 647** Give Thanks GIVE THANKS

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son. Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son. And now let the weak say, "We are strong!" Let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" And now let the weak say, "We are strong!" Let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" Give thanks. Give thanks.

Offering Prayer

TO GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME

***Hymn 409** God Is Here! ABBOT'S LEIGH

***Benediction** Dr. Sutherland
The love of God be the passion in your heart. The joy of God your strength when times are hard. The presence of God a peace that overflows. The Word of God the seed that you might sow. **Amen.** J. Birch

The service concludes following the postlude

Postlude *Toccata Eroica*

Edward Broughton

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Dr. Arthur M. Sutherland, *Guest Preacher*
Dr. Samuel Springer, *Minister of Music & Organist*
Mozella Williams, *Liturgist*
Vivian Slacum, *Piano*

FAITH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Habitat Workdays

Woodbourne McCabe Community project work days are August 4, 18 & 25. Come in your work clothes and be prepared to have a great time getting dirty. This long time mission of Faith is one of its most rewarding. We also need people to provide lunch for the working volunteers. Contact Natalie Wallace or the church office for details.

Our Sunday Child Caretaker

Rosemary Miller, our child caretaker is ill and won't be here for some time. Her daughter said she would appreciate cards; please send to the church office to be forwarded.

If you are interested in helping out with childcare while Rosemary recovers, please speak to Robin Nemser.

Shredding by Andre

Andre Slacum is a Faith Church member who volunteers here at Faith; one of his favorite activities is shredding. He provides a service to Faith Church by offering his shredding services here at the church. All you have to do is bring your sensitive documents to church and place them in the box in the workroom marked "Shredding for Andre" or give them to Robin Nemser. You will be helping Andre, and he will return the favor to you. Start purging those file drawers!

Joys and Concerns may be written before the service in a special book in the narthex. The book will be brought to the minister before the prayer.

Please pray for our homebound members:

Betty Bunce	Nan Pohl	June Rowe
Esmie & Leon Stirling	Nancy Stutzer	Betty Lou Tampieri

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