



Havenwood Church

Presbyterian Church (USA)

January 19, 2025



The Wedding Feast in Cana, Paolo Veronese, 1563

The Service of the Lord's Day

Order of Worship

**Please stand if you are able.
Congregation to recite bolded passages.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jenn DiFrancesco

PRELUDE

Variations on "Ratisbon"- #1 (Scherzo)
by Karen Beaumont"

Valerie Adelung

CALL TO WORSHIP

John Snead

Come, for God is doing a new thing!

We are ready to witness God's abundance.

Where there seems to be scarcity, God provides plenty.

Where there seems to be ending, God offers beginning.

Trust in the One who transforms water into wine.

We come to worship the God of endless possibilities.

*HYMN # 39

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

John Snead

In God's abundant grace, we are invited to bring our whole selves before our Creator. Even when we feel empty, God's mercy flows freely. Let us confess together, trusting in God's transforming love.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

John Snead

Generous God, we confess that too often we live with clenched fists rather than open hands. We see scarcity instead of abundance, limits instead of possibilities. Forgive us when we hesitate to fill the jars with water, doubting your power to transform. Forgive our reluctance to serve, our fear of taking risks, our hesitation to trust your providence. Transform our hearts, as you transformed water into wine, that we might be vessels of your abundant love. Amen.

(Silence is kept)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jenn DiFrancesco

Believe this good news:

God's love never runs dry.

In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven! Amen.

CELEBRATION OF FORGIVENESS #658

Jenn DiFrancesco

“God is So Good”

*God loves me so; God loves me so;
God loves me so; God's so good to me.*

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Jenn DiFrancesco

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

and also with you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

John Snead

Transform our hearing, O God, that your Word might fill us with wonder. As you changed water into wine, change our ordinary understanding into extraordinary insight. Amen.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet,
till her vindication shines out like the dawn,
her salvation like a blazing torch.
The nations will see your vindication,
and all kings your glory;
you will be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will bestow.
You will be a crown of splendor in the Lord's hand,
a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
No longer will they call you Deserted,
or name your land Desolate.
But you will be called Hephzibah,
and your land Beulah;
for the Lord will take delight in you,
and your land will be married.
As a young man marries a young woman,
so will your Builder marry you;
as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride,
so will your God rejoice over you.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Awake, My Heart” by Jane M. Marshall

Chancel Choir

*Awake, my heart, and render to God thy sure defender
Thy Maker, thy preserver, a song of love and fervor.
Confirm my deeds and guide me: my day, with Thee beside me,
Beginning, middle, ending, will all be upward tending.
My heart shall be Thy dwelling, with joy and gladness swelling;
Thy word my nurture, given to bring me on toward heaven.
Awake, my heart, and render to God thy sure defender
Thy Maker, thy preserver, a song of love and fervor.*

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

"Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."

His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.

Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.

Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet."

They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now."

What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Jenn DiFrancesco

*HYMN # 749

"Come! Live in the Light!"

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Jenn DiFrancesco

**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.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Jenn DiFrancesco

At Cana, Jesus transformed water - a precious gift of life - into wine of celebration. Through our giving, God multiplies our gifts to bring life and joy to our community and world. Let us share what we have received.

Besides donating by placing your donation in the plates by the doors, you may also donate online or mail a check to the church. More information can be found at the back of the bulletin.

OFFERTORY

Variations on "Ratisbon"- #2 (Largo)
by Karen Beaumont

Valerie Adlung

*DOXOLOGY #710

“We Lift Our Voices”

*We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands;
Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering.
All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering;
we are an offering*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Jenn DiFrancesco

Life-giving God, we bring these gifts in gratitude for your abundance. Use them to bring refreshment to the thirsty, hope to the weary, and justice to all who lack life's necessities. Through Christ we pray, Amen.

*HYMN # 700

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

*BENEDICTION

Jenn DiFrancesco

POSTLUDE

Variations on “Ratisbon”- #3 (Allegro)
by Karen Beaumont

Valerie Adelung

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39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,



Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:



As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
 날 마 다 자 비 를 베풀 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
 일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22-23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

749 Come! Live in the Light!

We Are Called

1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that

joy and the love of the Lord! We are called
 mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called
 great day when all will be one! God will reign,

to be light for the king - dom, to live in the
 to be hope for the hope - less so ha - tred and
 and we'll walk with each oth - er as sis - ters and

free - dom of the cit - y of God.
 vio - lence will be no more.
 broth - ers u - nit - ed in love.

Refrain

We are called to act with jus - tice; we are called to

love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -

oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

The thematic and musical center of this hymn on the vocation of all believers is found in the refrain, which is based on the well-known challenge of Micah 6:3, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"

700 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

1 I'm gon-na live so (live so)
 2 I'm gon-na work so (work so) God can use me an - y -
 3 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)
 4 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, an - y - time!
 (an - y - time!)
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na

live so (live so)
 work so (work so) God can use me an - y -
 pray so (pray so)
 sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, an - y - time!
 (my Lord,) (an - y - time!)

This African American spiritual has more depth than may at first appear: for people who are bound in slavery to sing about dedicating themselves to God's use shows a profound awareness of God-given self-worth despite circumstances that would deny their human or spiritual value.