

**CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Worship Service – July 4, 2021**

Revised Common Lectionary Readings  
6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/Ordinary Time  
Year B

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10  
Psalm 123  
2 Corinthians 12:2-10  
Mark 6:1-13

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Opening Prayer\***

O God of grace and mercy, you call us to proclaim your healing and faithfully fulfill your kingdom mission. Remind us of that now, as we worship you; that as our hearts become fixed on you, our lives shall respond to your call. Amen.

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**Call to Worship\***

Mark 1:14; 2 Corinthians 12:9

Jesus Christ, the crucified Lord, calls us to believe in the good news of salvation.

**His grace is sufficient for us.**

Let us enter into God's reign rejoicing;

**not in our own strength, but in the power of Christ which dwells in us.**

Let us worship God.

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**Hymn**

*In the Bulb There Is a Flower (Hymn of Promise)  
Glory to God Hymnal, # 250*

**Confession\***

2 Corinthians 12:9

*"...but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you...'"*

**You are love, O God, and you have loved us from the beginning. Forgive us when we do not share your love with the world: when we choose selfishness over compassion; what feels comfortable rather than what is right; when we strive for success instead of faithfulness; when we value independence over community.**

**Forgive us, O God, of the ways we fall short. Free us to try again, and let your love lead the way.**

*(personal confession)*

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**Assurance and Passing of the Peace**

2 Corinthians 12:9

*"...so that the power of Christ may dwell in me."*

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God**

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Scripture**Mark 6:1-13**Sermon***Faith Is Power*

Jordan Ravenelle, guest preacher

**Hymn***His Eye is On the Sparrow*

Sing the Faith, # 2146

**Offering\* and Doxology**

Mark 6:7-8

*“He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two...he ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff...”*

Jesus calls us to travel light as we serve the world, for God is our strength and provision. Let us faithfully bring our offerings to God.

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**Prayer of Dedication\***

God of all good gifts, all that we have is a gift from you, and your grace is our sufficiency. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may increase your blessing to others, through the grace and mercy of Christ. Amen.

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**Announcements****Prayers of the People\***

God of heaven and earth, creator of all things seen and unseen, we join with the church through all ages, praying that you cast out all evil and renew the face of the whole creation.

Grant wisdom and courage to the leaders of the nations, that the common good and the justice of all peoples shall be done. Grant intelligence and generosity to leaders of business and industry so that they provide dignity and safety for every person and household on the planet. Grant imagination and passion to educators and artists so that they give clear guidance and true vision enabling us to praise you for the wonder and beauty of your world. Grant compassion and skill to healers and caregivers so that the sick and suffering may know your touch as a foreshadowing of the resurrection.

We pray this day for all who are suffering at the hands of the violent and power hungry, the greedy and malicious, the ignorant and misguided, the powers disease and sickness, and the ways of nature. May each one who is afflicted find comfort and courage in your faith, hope, and love.

Empower your church with the Holy Spirit to proclaim the gospel with authority, for not even the gates of hell can withstand the grace of Jesus Christ.

In this moment of silence, we pray for our friends and our families; for our enemies, and for strangers...

Lord, complete the renewal you began in raising Jesus from the dead. That then with all creation we shall shout ‘Hallelujah!’

And until that day, we shall pray with our words and with our lives, the prayer Jesus taught us, saying together,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

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## Hymn

*This Is My Song*  
Glory to God Hymnal, #340

## Charge\* and Benediction

Fear not, for God's power is perfected in our weakness. Go in God's strength to love and to serve. And the love of God the Father, the grace of Jesus the Son, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit is with you, now and forevermore. Amen.

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## Postlude

*\*We are grateful for Jordan Ravenelle being with us this morning. Jordan is a long-time member of Calvin Presbyterian Church, and currently lives in Northern Virginia.  
He is the son of Todd and Kim Ravenelle.*