

# Huguenot Memorial Church

September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 • 10:00 A.M. • 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

*I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality.*

*This is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant.*

*-Martin Luther King, Jr.*

PRELUDE "Prelude on an old Irish church melody" Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SENTENCES *responsive (adapted from Psalm 94)*

The Lord will not forsake his people; he will not abandon his heritage,

**For justice will return to the righteous, and all the upright in heart will follow it.**

When I thought, "My foot is slipping," your steadfast love, O Lord, held me up.

**The Lord has become my stronghold, and my God the rock of my refuge.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

We deceive ourselves when we speak of our freedom to choose and deny the power of evil working in the world. Scripture tells us that we all sin and fall short of the glory of God. But God, who is merciful and just promises to fully forgive us as we freely confess. Let us join together in confessing our sins before the throne of grace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *unison*

**Creating God, since the very first day you have been turning chaos into order. We are not like you. In our speaking and acting we often create chaos in the created order and in the human family. You gifted us with freedom to choose, but we find ourselves mired down in bondage to sin and evil. Free us from the evil one who holds us captive. Relight the fire of righteousness in us and remove our fear to follow your Son Jesus, for he shows us the ways of true life. It is with great expectation that we pray in the power and grace of his holy name. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

One: Friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel:

**All: We are saved by grace through faith. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

**Amen!**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Love by Matt De La Pena, illustrated by Loren Long*

ANTHEM "Adagio in G minor" Tomaso Albinoni (1671-1751)  
Maria Conti, violin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 14:19-31

SERMON "Safe Passage"

PIANO SOLO "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Tune: CWM RHONDDA (1907)  
arr. by Lloyd Larson

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *from the Confession of Belhar, 1986, section 10.7 and 10.9*

**We believe: that God has revealed God's self as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people, that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged, that God calls the church to follow God in this; for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry. We believe that the church must stand by people in suffering and need, and witness and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. And we believe that the church as the possession of God must stand where the Lord stands, namely against injustice and with the wronged. Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER *unison*

**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.**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation" Max Reger (1873-1916)



# NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Music Notes

Thank you to Maria Conti, violinist, for her music today, previously recorded in July 2020.

### Staying Connected at Huguenot

Sunday (10 am) – Livestream Worship on YouTube (subscribe to our channel: HMC Productions) or Facebook Live (like or share)

Tuesday (8 pm) – Fellowship Zoom Gathering

Wednesday (8 pm) – Fireside Chat & Wednesday Evening Prayer on Facebook Live

## HUGUENOT PRAYS

Please join as a community in lifting up the following people and situations to God in prayer:

**Congratulations** - Michael and Maurice Owen-Michaane on the arrival of their 4<sup>th</sup> child, a new daughter: Eve.

**Remembrance** – David Diefenbach loss of Mother Ruth Diefenbach , Nina Diefenbach loss of Father George H. McNeely III.

**Homebound** –Henry Hayes

**Healing** –Linda Scopaz, Susan Reddy, Alison Pinsley, Bruce Tischler, Bob Tritsch, Avery Porter, Jen Engborg, Yoshi Ichijo, James Ingram, Gerrick Tischler, Frances Caldwell, Dr. Richard Eaton, John Wines, Martha Sterner, Dr. Elliot Strong, Tommy Hoare, and Twig Hayes.

**Coronavirus Front Lines** – Laura Davis, Dr. Valerie Alley, Dr. Michael Owen-Michaane, Dr. Daniel Billings, Scott Strong

### CALENDAR AND CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE

We will remain doing distance, live-streaming worship for the foreseeable future.

The Session will be tracking member interest and the progress being made in society to combat Covid-19 in the months ahead. Thank you for your care and time spent in completing the survey. We all desire to return to community and fellowship at Huguenot and thank you for your patience as we pray for that day to be upon us soon.

### CHURCH INFORMATION

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## HUGUENOT MEMORIAL CHURCH PURPOSE STATEMENT

**M**aking Music  
**U**rging Unity  
**S**haring Supper  
**I**nviting Ideas  
**C**elebrating Community

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