Huguenot Memorial Church

September 27th, 2020 • 10:00 A.M. • 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Authority and power are two different things: power is the force by means of which you can oblige others to obey you. Authority is the right to direct and command, to be listened to or obeyed by others. Authority requests power. Power without authority is tyranny.

-Jacques Maritain

PRELUDE *"Prelude in D Major"* J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SENTENCES *responsive* (adapted from Psalm 89)

I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

O Lord God of hosts, who is as mighty as you, O Lord? Your faithfulness surrounds you.

Happy are the people who walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance. Blessed be the Lord forever. Amen and Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jesus came to reveal the power of God's love for all people. As followers of the One who loved all to the point of death, we fail to see and live into love as our highest calling. We live divided and compromised lives. But the Lord is merciful and just, seated at the right hand, he has the power and authority to forgive and restore. Let us confess our sins before his throne of grace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *unison*

Lord Jesus, we confess that as individuals, even as the church, we are enamored with and beguiled by power. We want to be in positions, large and small, where we have it. We look at power being stronger than love. Forgive us for not abiding in love, for not living according to your calling on our lives, for not turning to you and our neighbors first. Restore us to right thinking that we would be faithful in our speaking and in our acting. Renew our lowly spirits that we might return to the joy of living in you. These things we ask humbly in your 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 *Maybe by Kobi Yamada, illustrated by Gabriella Barouch*

ANTHEM *"Partita No. 2 in G Minor – Gigue"* J. S. Bach

Maria Conti, violin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 2:1-13

SERMON *Kingdom Math"*

PIANO SOLO *"Softly and Tenderly"* Tune: THOMPSON

arr. Mark Hayes

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *adapted from 1 John 4*

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent an only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent the Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. So, we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

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 *"Finale in D Major"* G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Music Notes
Thank you to Maria Conti for her violin solo previously recorded in July 2020.

Drive Thru Rally Day w/ Facebook Live
Stop by the church between 11 am and 1 pm on October 4th for our drive-thru Rally Day. Whether you are 5 or 95, there will be something for everyone!"

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 4th child, a new daughter: Eve.

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

October

4th Sunday
Worship w/Virtual Communion
Drive-Through Rally Day w/Facebook Live

5th Monday
Monthly Youth Zoom Fellowship

6th Tuesday
Zoom Fellowship

7th Wednesday
Fireside Chat & Evening Prayer

8th Thursday
Sanctuary Open for Prayer

HUGUENOT MEMORIAL CHURCH PURPOSE STATEMENT

Making Music
Urging Unity
Sharing Supper
Inviting Ideas
Celebrating Community

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