

Worship Service on August 6, 2023

Welcome and Announcements ~ Lisa Catapano-Friedman

We are delighted to have Rabbi Michael Cohen as our guest speaker and to once again enjoy Dave Cobb playing on the organ.

Monday ~ Uplift Support Group meets in the fellowship room at 3 pm.

Tuesday ~ Summer Discover Camp recap meeting at 2 pm at FCC, and Deacon meeting in the fellowship room at 4:30 pm.

Wednesday ~ Seeking God Together meeting via zoom at 11 am, and Christian Education Committee meeting at 7 pm via zoom.

Friday ~ Street Fest is scheduled for 6 – 9 pm. If you are available to provide cookies, greet people, share water bottles and hospitality during any of these hours, please let Pastor Rebecca know.

Opportunity ~ The Community Food Cupboard is collecting back-to-school items for August. The full list can be found on the bulletin board in the fellowship room.



Happy Anniversary to Linell and Jerry Pike on Monday, and Happy Birthday to Bryan Richheimer on Saturday!



Thank you to Linda Hulett for the flowers in loving memory of her husband, Butch Hulett.

Word of Preparation ~ Lisa Catapano-Friedman

Prelude ~ You are invited to listen to Dave Cobb play “*Ave Verum*” by Mozart on the organ as we prepare our hearts for worship.

Call to Worship ~ Psalm 148 (NLT)

Please join in reading the bold lines.

¹ Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens!

Praise him from the skies!

² **Praise him, all his angels!**

Praise him, all the armies of heaven!

³ **Praise him, sun and moon!**

Praise him, all you twinkling stars!

⁴ **Praise him, skies above!**

Praise him, vapors high above the clouds!

⁵ **Let every created thing give praise to the Lord,**
for he issued his command, and they came into being.

⁶ **He set them in place forever and ever.**

His decree will never be revoked.

⁷ **Praise the Lord from the earth,**
you creatures of the ocean depths,
fire and hail, snow and clouds,
wind and weather that obey him,

⁹ **mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars,**

¹⁰ wild animals and all livestock,

small scurrying animals and birds,

¹¹ kings of the earth and all people,

rulers and judges of the earth,

¹² young men and young women,

old men and children.

¹³ Let them all praise the name of the Lord.

For his name is very great;

his glory towers over the earth and heaven!

¹⁴ **He has made his people strong, honoring his faithful ones—**
the people of Israel who are close to him.

Praise the Lord!

Song ~ The worship team will lead us in singing

“The Lord Reigns”

Verse

*The Lord reigns let the people shout
He reigns in righteousness
Let the heavens be glad let the earth rejoice
The Lord reigns let the people clap their hands
Angels shout the redeemed have come to dance
To celebrate, to celebrate He reigns*

Chorus

***The Lord reigns, the Lord reigns
The Lord reigns, we will sing and shout
You reign, You reign***

You reign forever, King of all

[Repeat verse and chorus]

Bridge

*Let all the people sing of
Your awesome power in all the earth
Let darkness tremble at Your Name
Why do the nations rage when
The King is on His throne
Now and forever You will reign*

[Repeat bridge]

Chorus

Forever King of all

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Praying Together ~

**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.**

Song ~ “O Worship the King” (#17, blue hymnal, verses 1, 2, 4, 5)

*O worship the King, all glorious above
And gratefully sing, God’s wonderful love
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise
How great is your might! How steadfast your grace!
Your robe is the light; your canopy, space
Your chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form
In majesty riding the wings of the storm
Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain
Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail
In you do we trust, nor find you to fail
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend!*

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Scripture Passage ~ Deuteronomy 3: 23-29

read by Lisa Catapano-Friedman

At that time
I pleaded with the Lord:
“Sovereign Lord,
you have begun to show to your servant
your greatness and your strong hand.
For what god is there
in heaven or on earth
who can do the deeds
and mighty works you do?
Let me go over and see
the good land beyond the Jordan—
that fine hill country and Lebanon.”
But because of you
the Lord was angry with me
and would not listen to me.
“That is enough,”
the Lord said.
“Do not speak to me anymore about this matter.
Go up to the top of Pisgah
and look west and north
and south and east.
Look at the land with your own eyes,
since you are not going to cross this Jordan.
But commission Joshua,
and encourage and strengthen him,
for he will lead this people across
and will cause them to inherit the land
that you will see.”
So we stayed in the valley near Beth Peor.

Sermon ~ “Swimming to Our Dreams” ~ Rabbi Michael Cohen

Song ~ “All People That on Earth Do Dwell” (#18 in the blue hymnal)

*All people that on earth do dwell
Sing out your faith with cheerful voice
Delight in God whose praise you tell
Whose presence calls you to rejoice

Know that there is one God, indeed
Who fashions us without our aid
Who claims us, gives us all we need
Whose tender care will never fade

Enter the sacred gates with praise
With joy approach the temple walls
Extol and bless our God always
As people whom the Spirit calls

Proclaim again that God is good
Whose mercy is forever sure
Whose truth at all times firmly stood
And shall from age to age endure*

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Benediction ~ Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)

“The Lord bless you
and keep you;
²⁵ the Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you;
²⁶ the Lord turn his face toward you
and give you peace.”

Postlude ~ “Trumpet Tune” by Mouret played by Dave Cobb