

Sermon Text Pew Bible
Isaiah 6:1-13 Page 635 OT

Sermon The Rev. Dr. Edie A. Gause
UNCERTAINTY?
NOT IN THE DECLARATION OF BARMEN

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 726 *Kelvingrove*
"Will You Come and Follow Me"
Choir will sing the first verse;
congregation will sing beginning with verse 2.

*Affirmation of Faith (Unison) Declaration of Barmen
8.25 - 8.28

"Lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age." (Matt. 28:20.) "The word of God is not fettered." (2 Tim. 2:9.) The Church's commission, upon which its freedom is founded, consists in delivering the message of the free grace of God to all people in Christ's stead, and therefore in the ministry of his own Word and work through sermon and sacrament. We reject the false doctrine, as though the Church in human arrogance could place the Word and work of the Lord in the service of any arbitrarily chosen desires, purposes, and plans. The Confessional Synod of the German Evangelical Church declares that it sees in the acknowledgment of these truths and in the rejection of these errors the indispensable theological basis of the German Evangelical Church as a federation of Confessional Churches. It invites all who are able to accept its declaration to be mindful of these theological principles in their decisions in Church politics. It entreats all whom it concerns to return to the unity of faith, love, and hope.

Pastoral Joys and Concerns of the Church

Prayer for the People and Lord's Prayer Choral Amen

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.

Call to Stewardship
All undesignated cash goes to the Compassion Fund.

Offertory arr. Dale Wood
"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

*Congregational Response Hymn 606 *Old Hundredth*
Doxology
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Offertory Prayer (Unison)
Holy God, by your grace: you touch our fears with the fire of your compassion; you touch our brokenness with the fire of your forgiveness; you touch our hearts with the fire of your love. May these gifts help this congregation bring your compassion, forgiveness and love to others. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

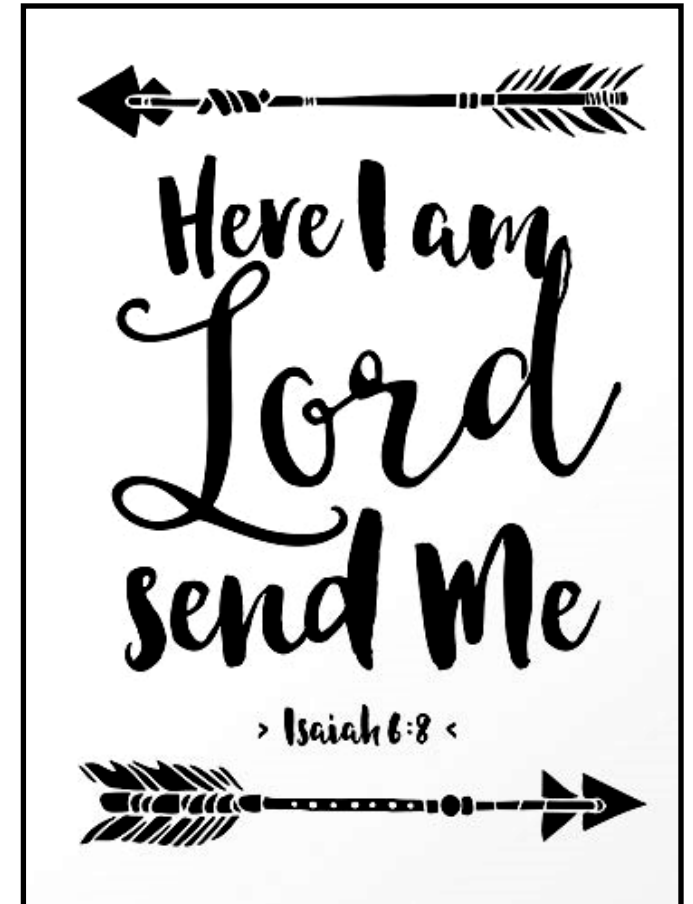
*Hymn 720 *Galilee*
"Jesus Calls Us"

*Invitation to Discipleship

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Choral Response Pleading Savior
"Lord, Dismiss Us" arr. Dale Wood
Sanctuary Choir
Lord, dismiss us with your blessing,
fill our hearts with joy and peace.

*Closing Voluntary arr. Douglas E. Wagner
"Rejoice! Ye Pure in Heart!"



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THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

February 10, 2019

10:40 A.M.

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

**The congregation is invited to stand as music begins.
Additional worshippers may enter as the congregation sings.*

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome to worship at Grace First Presbyterian Church! As we light the Christ Candle, we are reminded that Jesus is the light of the world. As we pour the Baptismal Waters in the Font, we recall our baptism and newness of life. As we bring in the Bible, we remember the centrality of the Word. We worship our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. ***(Please sign the attendance register, pass it down the pew and then back so everyone can greet those worshiping near you.)***

Gathering Around the Word

Opening Voluntary Sandra Eithun
“Jubilation Fanfare”
Sanctuary Handbells

Entrance of Baptismal Water and The Christ Light
Chimes and the Entrance of the Bible

Call to Worship (Responsive)

By God's grace, we are who we are:
People who are called, but afraid to follow.
By God's grace, we are who we are:
People who are called, and gifted with courage.
By God's grace, we are who we are:
People who are called, and given good news to share.

Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn 1 Nicaea
“Holy, Holy, Holy!”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God enthroned in heaven: most of us would not consider ourselves to be holy. We think of others as inconveniences or intrusions, not as sisters or brothers. We look at others with pride or spite, not through the eyes of compassion. We are so busy listening to ourselves, we cannot hear the anguish and loneliness of our neighbors.

Forgive us, God enthroned in our hearts. You have set us apart so we might be a partner with hurting people. We belong to your Kingdom so we might bring others in to live with us. We would risk following Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who first risked calling us as disciples.

Silent Confession...

Assurance of Forgiveness (Responsive)

The Holy One became wholly human so we might know love. The One enthroned on high endured the Cross so we might have life. Believe this good news: we are forgiven!

**By God's grace, we are who we are:
forgiven and restored people.
Thanks be to God.**

*Congregational Response Hymn 14 Dix

**For thyself, best gift divine
to the world so freely given;
For tat great, great love of thine,
peace on earth and joy in heaven:
Lord of all, to thee we raise
our hymn of grateful praise.**

Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Music Ministry

Morris, 1898
arr. Gilbert M. Martin

“Nearer, Still Nearer”
Sanctuary Choir

Nearer, still nearer, close to thy heart.
Draw me, my Savior, so precious thou art;
Fold me, O fold me close to thy breast,
O shelter me safe in that haven of rest.

Nearer, still nearer, nothing I bring,
naught as an offering to Jesus my King.
Only my sinful, now contrite heart;
grant me the cleansing thy blood doth impart.

Nearer, still nearer, while life shall last,
till safe in glory my anchor is cast,
through endless ages, ever to be,
nearer, my Savior, nearer to Thee.

Nearer, still nearer, O nearer, my Savior,
still nearer to Thee. Amen

New Testament Reading Pew Bible
1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Page 176

A Reading From First Corinthians
Thanks be to God.

Children’s Time Pastor David

Children’s Worship

Psalm 138 Pew Bible Page 577 Cantor: John Fields

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