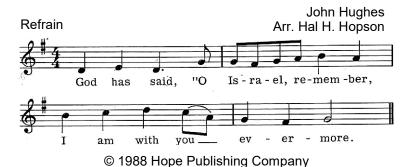
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Second Reading

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Mark 5:1-20

The Word of God for the People of God **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon The Rev. Ashley Drake Mertz

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 796 Land Of Rest

"We Come to You for Healing, Lord"

*Affirmation of Faith (Unison) The Apostles' Creed I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to Stewardship

All undesignated cash goes to the Compassion Fund.

Offertory Theodore Beck "Soul. Adorn Thyself with Gladness"

*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

THE LORD'S SUPPER

(Gluten-free bread is in small cups on each tray.)

Communion Voluntary

Hymns of Faith

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

*Hymn 769 For Everyone Born "For Everyone Born"

*Invitation to Discipleship

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Choral Response Hal H. Hopson "Whatsoever You Do"

Whatsoever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God by Him.

*Peace of Christ
The peace of Christ be with you
And also with you

*Closing Voluntary Hans Leo Hassler
"O Living Bread from Heaven"



Begged to Leave by Hannah Garrity



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THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

September 1, 2019

10:40 A.M.

The Unraveling Of The Mind

*The congregation is invited to stand as music begins. Additional worshipers 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 Healey Willan "Thee We Adore, O Blessed Savior"

Entrance of Baptismal Water, The Christ Light and the Bible

Call to Worship (Responsive) Seth Goeldner

Don't hold back. Bring all of yourself,

For God loves us just as we are.

Don't hold back. Bring all of yourself,

For all of us is welcome here—scars and fears, depression and doubt, hope and joy, light and laughter.

Don't hold back. Bring all of yourself.

For God longs to be with us, so let us worship the God of love.

Prayer of Invocation

*Hvmn 645

Mit Freuden Zart

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious God, we admit that there are things we sweep under the rug—shame, self-doubt, mental health struggles, and our own insecurities. We know that is not what you want for us, for Jesus loved the healthy and the sick parts of everyone. With Jesus, there was no stigma, fear, or bias. God of creation, help us to love and live in the same way. Forgive us when we hate ourselves or distance ourselves from others, simply for being human. You long for better, and we long for you. Gratefully we pray...

Silent Confession...

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Congregational Response Hymn 761 (v.1) Beecher

Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace, we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace.

May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend, equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.

Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Music Ministry

Dale Wood

"In This Moment of Remembrance"
Sanctuary Choir

In this moment of remembrance, the sacrament is spread; Here we celebrate Christ's presence through the wine and broken bread.

At this table of communion, in the light shed from above, we are sheltered in His mercy and surrounded by His love.

There is healing and forgiveness, there is strength as we partake; Here we know the Savior's promise that He never will forsake.

"Take and do this in remembrance," are the words that Christ our Savior said; and we join now in His presence through the wine and broken bread.

"Take and do this in remembrance of me."

Children's Moment

The Rev. David A. Slyter

Children's Worship

Children up through 5th grade may leave the Sanctuary at this time. Following worship, parents should pick up their child in room 6.

First Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-10

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