

Wheat Ridge Presbyterian Church Worship, July 18, 2021

“Smell of Cedar” Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

• 2 Samuel 7:1-14a • Mark 6:3-34-34, 53-56 •

Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.

* Please stand if able Plain text = Leader **Bold text = People**

Prelude

We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise Organist, Julie Pulliam
Kirk Dearman, Arr. Fred Bock,

Welcome and Announcements

Pulpit Elder, Marny Eulberg

* Call to Worship (Please stand)

Elder

We worship God with song and dance,
singing God’s praise and shouting for joy.
We worship God with silence and sighs,
grieving for loss and longing for comfort.
We worship God with prayers and hands,
praying for healing and working for peace.
Let us create a sabbath space
and worship the God who gives us life.

* Hymn

The King of Love My Shepherd Is PH # 171 see insert

Responsive Prayer for Renewal (Be seated)

Elder

Trusting in God’s grace, let us confess our sin.

**We love you, O Lord, with our prayers and our songs.
Forgive us when we do not love you with our actions.
You have called us to tend your sheep:
to care for your people around the world,
to share what we have, and to reflect your love.
Forgive us, O Lord, when our love for you is shallow,
when our love for our neighbors is empty,
and when our love for ourselves is hard to find.
Forgive us, O God, of the ways we fall short,
and by your forgiveness, free us to try again.**

(A time for silent prayer)

Assurance of God’s Grace

Guest Preacher, The Rev. Ashley Seaman Taylor

Now stand firm in your faith, covered by the saving grace of God
and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God. Amen.

* Gloria

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

Prayer for Illumination and Scripture Readings:

2 Samuel 7:1-14a Deacon Reader, Janette Powers
Mark 6:3-34-34, 53-56 Guest Preacher, Rev. Ashley Seaman Taylor

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Special Music

Build My House by Leonard Bernstein
Katie Sakanai from the musical “Peter Pan”

Time with All Ages

Director of C.E., Linda Valo

(As the children and youth come forward, please join in singing) Tune: Ode to Joy

**God, we love this congregation! On this day, we’re glad to see
friends and neighbors, gathered, praying, as a church community.
Young and old, we join in worship—some in person, some on line.
We are drawn by faith and friendship in this blessed place and time.
(After TWAA, children Pre-K-6th grade may leave with Linda for Kids’ Kingdom.)**

Sermon

Smell of Cedar Rev. Ashley Seaman Taylor

* Affirmation of Faith (Please Stand)

Elder

**The diversity in the early church caused tension and conflict.
Yet the Spirit bound them into one body, enriched by their differences.
We know that the same Spirit gives us a unity
we cannot create or destroy.
The Spirit moves among us not to end diversity or compel uniformity,
but to overcome divisiveness and bitterness.
The Spirit leads us to struggle against
the lines of race and class, the ambitions of competing parties,
the loyalties to individuals and traditions, that divide us.**

--adapted from *A Declaration of Faith* (1977)

* Hymn

God of the Sparrow PH #272 see insert

Prayers of the People concluding with the Lord's Prayer

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 sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and
The power and the glory, forever. Amen.

* **Hymn** *On Eagle's Wings* GTG #43 see insert

Charge and Benediction

Closing Sung Response

Tune: Ode to Joy

*In this year, with all its trials, there are things that we have missed.
Still, In Christ you've walked beside us; by your Spirit, we've been blessed.
Love's our history, love's our vision, Love's the work we're called to do.
Bless us as our congregation moves together, serving you.*

Postlude *Sanctus* Organist, Julie Pulliam
by Charles F. Gounod
Arr. Ellen Jane Lorenz

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*WPC Mission Statement
To worship God through faith and action,
To nurture the spirit of Jesus Christ in each of us,
To be an extended family to all,
And to serve the community
through programs, education, and prayer.*

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