



First United Methodist Church of Riverside (<https://firstchurchriverside.org>)

September 13, 2020, 10 a.m.: 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

ALL ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP ONLINE (Livestream):

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE:** *"Prélude, Fugue, et Variation"* (by César Franck) / Robert Phillips, Organist

**TRINITY BELLS** / Robert Phillips, Organist

**OPENING HYMN:** #98 *"To God Be the Glory"* / All (Led by Kathleen Phillips;  
Accompanied by Robert Phillips, Organist)

**WELCOME** / Rev. J. T. Kim, Senior Pastor

**CALL TO WORSHIP** / Katrina Zeeb, Liturgist  
(Liturgist) Sing of God's mercy and grace.

**(All) Sing of God's strength and might.**

(L) Praise God with laughter and joy.

**(A) Praise God with feasting and dance.**

(L) For God protects the lowly and avenges the misdeeds of the mighty.

**(A) God brings forth justice and righteousness, saving the weak from the cruelty of the powerful.**

(L) Sing of God's mercy and grace.

**(All) Sing of God's strength and might.**

**Amen!**

(Adapted from Exodus 14, 15, Romans 14)

**THE CHURCH AT PRAYER** / Pastor J. T. Kim

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Unison) / All

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S TIME / Katrina Zeeb

INTERLUDE: "Ave Maria" (by Franz Schubert) / Kathleen Phillips, Soloist  
(Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

SCRIPTURE READING: EXODUS 11:1 - 12:14 [The First Passover] (NRSV) / Katrina Zeeb, Liturgist

*Warning of the Final Plague*

<sup>1</sup>The Lord said to Moses, 'I will bring one more plague upon Pharaoh and upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go from here; indeed, when he lets you go, he will drive you away. <sup>2</sup>Tell the people that every man is to ask his neighbor and every woman is to ask her neighbor for objects of silver and gold.' <sup>3</sup>The Lord gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover, Moses himself was a man of great importance in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's officials, and in the sight of the people.

<sup>4</sup>Moses said, 'Thus says the Lord: About midnight I will go out through Egypt. <sup>5</sup>Every firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits on his throne to the firstborn of the female slave who is behind the handmill, and all the firstborn of the livestock. <sup>6</sup>Then there will be a loud cry throughout the whole land of Egypt, such as has never been nor will ever be again. <sup>7</sup>But not a dog shall growl at any of the Israelites – not at people, not at animals – so that you may know that the Lord makes a distinction between Egypt and Israel. <sup>8</sup>Then all these officials of yours shall come down to me, and bow low to me, saying, "Leave us, you and all the people who follow you." After that I will leave.' And in hot anger he left Pharaoh.

<sup>9</sup>The Lord said to Moses, 'Pharaoh will not listen to you, in order that my wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt.' <sup>10</sup>Moses and Aaron performed all these wonders before Pharaoh; but the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the people of Israel go out of his land.

*The First Passover Instituted*

<sup>12:1</sup>The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: <sup>2</sup>This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. <sup>4</sup>If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. <sup>6</sup>You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. <sup>7</sup>They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with

its head, legs, and inner organs. <sup>10</sup>You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup>This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. <sup>12</sup>For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. <sup>13</sup>The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

<sup>14</sup>This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

(Liturgist) This is the Word of God for the People of God!

(All) Thanks be to God!

SERMON: "MOSES" SERMON SERIES 3 OF 4: "THE EXODUS" / The Rev. J. T. Kim, Senior Pastor

HYMN OF DEDICATION: #2113 (TFWS) "Lamb of God" / All (Led by Kathleen Phillips); Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

1. Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have  
 2. Your gift of love, they cru - ci - fied, they laughed and  
 3. I was so lost, I should have died, but you have

sent him from your side, to walk up - on this guilt - y  
 scorned him as he died, the hum - ble king they named a  
 brought me to your side, to be led by your staff and

sod, and to be - come the Lamb of God. 1 2, 3  
 fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. God.  
 rod, and to be called a lamb of God. God.

*Refrain*  
 O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the  
 ho - ly Lamb of God! O wash me in his pre - cious  
 blood — my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING / Katrina Zeeb, Liturgist**

With hearts filled with song, let us bring forth our gifts and offer Christ our very lives, that God might work miracles of hope through our giving and our living.

**(All) Amen!**

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**DOXOLOGY: #95 / All**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow / Praise Him, all creatures here below**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts / Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (UNISON) / All (Led by Katrina Zeeb)**

**Merciful God, transform this offering into hope and joy for a troubled world.**

**Receive the blessings we return to you this day, and transform our ministries into**

**instruments of your grace. Through our giving, may places of sorrow and**

**mourning know the sound of love and laughter. Through our living, mold us into your people – a people of promise and hope, a people who live and die in the Lord.**

**Amen!**

**CLOSING HYMN: #664 “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” / All (Led by Kathleen Phillips);  
Accompanied by Robert Phillips)**

**BENEDICTION / Pastor J. T. Kim**

**POSTLUDE: “The Ash Grove” (by Dale Wood) / Robert Phillips, Organist**

***God Bless You! Stay in Love with God!***



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