



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

October 25, 2020: 21st Sunday after Pentecost; Reformation Sunday;

Commitment Sunday

ALL ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP ONLINE (Livestream):

<https://facebook.com/firstchurchriverside/live>

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE: *“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”* (by Dietrich Buxtehude) / Robert Phillips, Organist

TRINITY BELLS / Robert Phillips, Organist

OPENING HYMN: #2016 “Glorify Thy Name” / All (Led by Val Othon; Accompanied by Robert Phillips, Organist)

♩=80

VERSE

C F/C C G G^{2sus} G C² C



1. Fa - ther, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
 2. Je - sus...
 3. Spir - it...



glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth. _____ Glo - ri - fy Thy



name, glo - ri - fy Thy name,



glo - ri - fy Thy name in all the earth. _____

WELCOME / Rev. J. T. Kim

CALL TO WORSHIP / Ron Bayer, Liturgist

(Liturgist) With hearts ready to serve,

(All) God turns our mourning into singing and our sorrows into laughter.

(L) With hope and expectation,

(All) God turns our weeping into celebration and our grief into shouts of joy.

(L) Come before the Lord with yearning, with hearts ready to serve.

(All) Amen!

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER / Rev. J. T. Kim

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

CHILDREN'S TIME / Pastor J. T. Kim

ANTHEM: "*Lean On Me (Everlasting Arms)*," arranged by Pepper Choplin, sung by Aldersgate Chorale (virtual choir) and Val Othon, Soloist, accompanied by Robert Phillips, Organist

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 6:25-34 (NRSV), Ron Bayer, Liturgist

Do Not Worry

²⁵Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you – you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" ³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

³⁴So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own.

Today's trouble is enough for today.

(Liturgist) This is the Gospel of Christ!

(All) Glory to You, O Christ! Amen!

SERMON: "Stewardship Sermon Series 2 of 2: "A JOURNEY OF HOPE #2" / Rev. J. T. Kim

HYMN OF DEDICATION: #405 "Seek Ye First"/ All (Led by Val Othon; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

Verse 1

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things
Shall be added unto you.
Allelu alleluia**

Verse 2

**Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek and ye shall find
Knock, and the door
Shall be opened unto you.
Allelu alleluia**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING / Ron Bayer, Liturgist

(Liturgist) "Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." With gratitude for all we have received, we offer our gifts to God.

(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 Ron Bayer, Liturgist)

(All) We have heard what we must do: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. And you shall love your neighbor as yourself." May the offerings we bring this day be a sign of our commitment to be known by our love. Bless these offerings and our loving in your holy name, we pray. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: #389 *"Freely, Freely"*/ All

Verse 1

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,
I've been born again in Jesus' name,
And in Jesus' name I come to you,
To share His love as He told me to.

Chorus

He said, "Freely, freely
You have received,
Freely, freely give.
Go in My name,
And because you believe,
Others will know that I live."

Verse 2

All power is given in Jesus' name,
In earth and heaven in Jesus' name,
And in Jesus' name I come to you,
To share His power as He told me to.

Chorus

He said, "Freely, freely
You have received,
Freely, freely give.
Go in My name,
And because you believe,
Others will know that I live."

BENEDICTION / Rev. J. T. Kim

POSTLUDE: *"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"* (by an anonymous 18th-century German composer)/Robert Phillips, Organist

God Bless You! Stay in Love with God!



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