

“Paralyzed by Fear”

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*"The land we explored consumes those living in it.
All the people we saw in the land were giants...
We seemed like grasshoppers in our eyes,
and we looked that way to them as well."*

Numbers 13:32-33

- *CONNECTING YOU WITH CHRIST AND COMMUNITY* -

Greeters:

Eileen & Harry Flick
Marion & David Drain
Ingeborg & Michael Hartwig
Joyce Shaffer

Ushers:

Roland Shugarts
Scott & Sara Shank
Rita Simmers
Crispina Giliberti
Gine Lancaster

The Chancel Flowers are Presented by:

Harry & Eileen Flick, in loving memory of our parents
Zit Buzby, in memory of my husband and family

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes & Welcome

Rev. Dr. Roger Rabey

Prelude

Call to Worship (from Psalm 46)

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**

Leader: Though its waters roar and foam,
Though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

**People: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
The holy habitation of the Most High.**

**All: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.
Let us worship Almighty God.**

* Hymn #488

"The God of Abraham Praise"

Proclaiming God's Word

Prayer of Confession (Silent & Corporate)

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide, and too deep to undo.**

**Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.**

**Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace to grow more and more
in your likeness and image through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

* Gloria Patri 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen

Baptism of Hudson Joseph Rice

Son of Christopher Joseph Rice & Lauren Powell Rice

Grandson of William & Carol Powell

Baptism Hymn #498

"Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"

Scripture

Numbers 13:32-33

Message

"Paralyzed by Fear"

Rev. Dr. Roger Rabey

1st in Series: Unafraid

Hymn of Response #404

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Responding to God's Word

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Bob Burns

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. Amen.

Presentation of Offering

Offertory

"A Simple Song"

Leonard Bernstein

Leonard Bernstein's music was heavily influenced by the music he heard in the synagogue he attended as a child. In this piece, a single chord is played on the piano before the singer begins. The notes of the chord are G and D played over and over. Jews feel that God's name is so holy that it should never be written completely. They write G_D So here, Bernstein is invoking God's presence with this single chord.

Please sign and pass the "Friendship Pad" during the Offering and pass it down the pew. At the end of the row, pass it back so that we can greet one another by name after the service.

* Doxology 592 (inclusive)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Going in God's Name

Ministry Highlights & Greeting

* Closing Hymn #391 "Take my Life"

* Benediction and Congregational Response

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;

I can feel His mighty power and His grace.

I can hear the brush of angels' wings; I see glory in each face;

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Postlude

"Toccata on NICAEA"

James Pethel

***MUSIC:** HIGHLAND CHANCEL CHOIR, JUDY SINGER, SOLOIST
DR. PAUL THORLAKSON, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND ORGANIST
A/V: JONATHAN LEFEVER*

* PLEASE STAND IF ABLE

SERMON NOTES

FEAR - **F**alse **E**vents **A**ppearing **R**eal

F - **F**ace your fears with faith
E - **E**xamine your assumptions in light of the facts
A - **A**ttack you anxieties with action
R - **R**elease your cares to God

"Courage is fear that has said its prayers." - Dorothy Bernard

Praying the Scriptures - Psalm 56:3-4

*"Whenever I'm afraid,
I put my trust in you --
in God, whose word I praise.
I trust in God; I won't be afraid.
What can mere flesh [people] do to me?"*

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