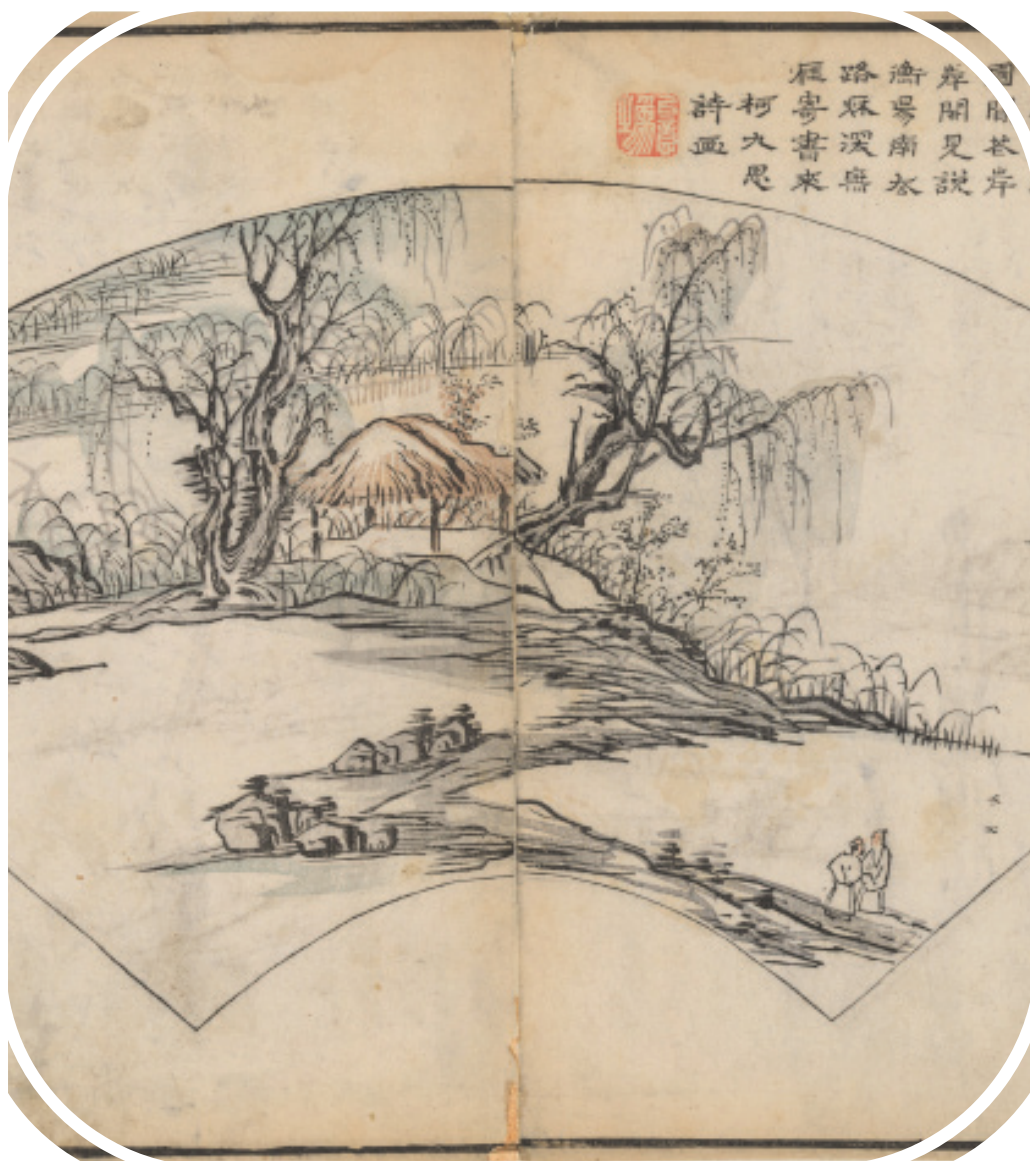


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New Story

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
June 16, 2024 • 10 am



Wang Gai, Page from the Mustard Seed Garden Manual of Painting, 1679

This Is God's House. All Are Welcome.



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Please silence all electronic devices and do not take flash photos during the service.

Prelude Instrument of Peace • *Chapel Church Music*

\* Gathering Song Rest On Us • *Maverick City Music*

Verse 1

As the Spirit was moving over the waters  
Spirit, come move over us  
Come rest on us  
Come rest on us (*Repeat*)

*Chorus*

*Come down*

*Spirit, when You move You make my heart pound*

*When You fill the room*

*You're here and I know You are moving*

*I'm here and I know You will fill me (*Repeat*)*

Verse 1 (*Repeat*)

Verse 2

Fire and wind, come and do it again  
Open up the gates, let Heaven on in  
Come rest on us  
Come rest on us (*Repeat*)

*Chorus (Repeat)*

Bridge

Holy Spirit, come rest on us  
You're all we want  
You're all we want (*Repeat 4 times*)

*Chorus (Repeat several times)*

Words of Welcome

*The Rev. Sarah Speed*

\* Opening Song Come As You Are • *David Leonard*

Bring every doubt and fear  
Bring all the shame you hide  
'Cause I've been waiting  
Longing to take it  
And break every lie  
Even the darkest nights  
Even when hope seems gone

No matter the distance  
 You need to know this  
 That I won't let you go

*Chorus*

*So come as you are  
 Come as you are to me  
 You're never too far  
 You're never too far away (Repeat)*

You can find rest in me  
 You can find hope and peace  
 It's something to cling to  
 Daily it meets you  
 And it starts here today

*Chorus (Repeat)*

Outro  
 New mercies  
 Awaken the heart  
 Awaken the spirit  
 Awaken the soul from death (Repeat several times)

\* Call to Confession

\* Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you  
 in thought, word and deed, by what we have done,  
 and by what we have left undone.  
 We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
 we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
 In your mercy, forgive what we have been,  
 help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,  
 so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,  
 to the glory of your holy name.

(Silent Prayer)

\* Words of Forgiveness

One: Hear the good news of the gospel:  
 All: We are loved. We are claimed. We are forgiven.  
 Thanks be to God! Amen.





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\* Song of Celebration #582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

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.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

\* Holy Interruption

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you!**

Volunteer Recognition

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture *Mark 4:26-34*

He also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

One: This is the Word of God; for the People of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon **"Ain't It Fun"**

*The Rev. Werner Ramirez*

\* Affirmation of Faith from *A Brief Statement of Faith*, Presbyterian Church (USA)

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,

even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
 praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"  
 With believers in every time and place,  
 we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
 can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Invitation to Pray and Give  
*The Rev. Natalie Owens-Pike*

\* Offertory Song                      Holy Spirit • *Francesca Battistelli*

There's nothing worth more  
 That could ever come close.  
 No thing can compare,  
 You're our living hope.  
 Your presence, Lord.

I've tasted and seen  
 Of the sweetest of loves,  
 Where my heart becomes free  
 And my shame is undone.  
 Your presence, Lord.

*Chorus*

*Holy Spirit, you are welcome here.  
 Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere.  
 Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for.  
 To be overcome by your presence, Lord.  
 Your presence, Lord.*

Verse

*Chorus*

Let us become more aware of your presence.  
 Let us experience the glory of your goodness.

*Chorus (Repeat several times)*

\* Prayer of Gratitude  
*The Rev. Dr. Jonah So*

\* Benediction

\* Closing Song                      Kingdom • *Maverick City*

My heart has always longed for something more.  
 I searched the stars to knock on Heaven's door.  
 Creation groans for God to be revealed.





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Every wound we carry will be healed.  
My eyes on the Son,  
Lord, your will be done.

*Chorus:*

*Thine is the Kingdom,  
The power, the glory  
Forever and ever.  
You finished my story.  
We're singing freedom,  
Our testimony.  
We'll be singing forever, Amen.  
We'll be singing forever and ever, Amen.*

Beautiful each color that you made.  
Your love's the only remedy for hate.  
You'll return to set the prisoners free.  
'Til then, your will on Earth be done in me.  
My eyes on the Son,  
Lord, your will be done.

*Chorus (Repeat)*

*Chorus tag:*

*We'll be singing forever and ever, Amen.  
We'll be singing forever, Amen.  
We'll be singing forever and ever, Amen.*

Outro

If you wanna know what Heaven looks like  
Looking like me and you.  
If you wanna know what Heaven sounds like  
Just let it fill the room. *(Repeat several times)*

*Chorus*

*We'll be singing forever and ever, Amen.  
We'll be singing forever, Amen.  
We'll be singing forever and ever, Amen.*

\* Sending

One:       And all God's people say—  
All:        Amen!

### **Shout-out to today's worship team!**

Jennifer Reed *vocals* • Wayne Wilson *vocals* • Samantha Hogshire *vocals*  
Bekka Read *vocals* • Bob Goetz *violin* • Brendon Lee *guitar*  
Can Olgun *Director of Chapel Church Music and Pianist*

**If You Are in Need of Prayer**

Deacons (wearing white stoles) are available to pray with you after the service. Your prayers are confidential unless you request that they be shared with our Congregational Care staff. You may also complete a prayer request card (available in the pews and at the entrances) and place it in the offering plate or hand to an usher. You may submit prayer requests online at [fapc.org/prayer-requests](https://fapc.org/prayer-requests).

**Faithful Departed:**

June 12, 2024: Anna Holst Sytsma—beloved mother of Dave Sytsma, beloved mother-in-law of Emily Sytsma, and beloved grandmother of Will and Joanna Sytsma.

**FOR SERVICE NOTES**

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# Let's Be Friends



## THE BIG THREE

*The top three reminders for this week.  
Visit [fapc.org/events](http://fapc.org/events) for the full calendar of events.*

### **Today: Juneteenth Coffee Hour**

On June 19, 1865, Union General Gordon Granger brought emancipation to Galveston, Texas, ending slavery in America at the close of the Civil War. Come learn about the history and significance of Juneteenth, a holiday celebrating this important moment for our nation.

### **Sunday, June 23: Margaret Shafer Picnic**

Every summer, Fifth Avenue volunteers serve a picnic lunch to our neighbors experiencing homelessness or in need of a relaxed meal among friends. This event is named in honor of the late Margaret Shafer, our former associate for outreach and a beloved friend and advocate of the homeless in our community. Volunteers are needed to make this event a success by helping with the event set-up, welcoming guests, serving the meal, making desserts, being part of the fellowship, and more! To learn more and register, please visit [fapc.org/shafer](http://fapc.org/shafer).

### **Friday, July 5: Chapel Church Concert**

Come hear our Chapel Church band perform an evening of music! This concert will offer original songs, backstories on the music and lyric writing process, sing-along moments, and talented band solos. The concert will take place at 5 pm in Jones Auditorium. Tickets are available at [fapc.org/events](http://fapc.org/events).



### **Love the music?**

Scan this code to enjoy our Chapel Church playlist.

[fapc.org/spotify](http://fapc.org/spotify)



### **Give to the church**

Scan this code to make a secure donation to our ministries.

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Wednesday, June 19, the building will be closed in observance of Juneteenth.

### **Building Hours**

Monday – Friday  
9 am – 5 pm

Saturday  
8 am – 1 pm

Sunday  
8 am – 12 pm

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