



**Riverside
Presbyterian
Church**

May 17, 2020
10:00 am
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Worship by internet: Website – click on the Worship Videos tab on the homepage – www.rpcusa.org YouTube – <http://bit.ly/RPCyoutube>

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For those who have children at home (or adults who are children at heart!) that need activities our friends at Fourth Presbyterian, Chicago have prepared online lesson plans and are generously sharing them with anyone who would like to use them. Each lesson contains information for the adults, a family discussion guide, and activities. Go to <http://bit.ly/OnlineSundaySchool>

Enjoy music from the RPC Carillion as you prepare for worship

WE GATHER

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRELUDE

Sicilienne

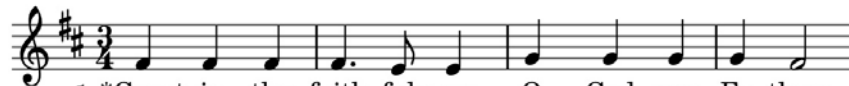
Paradis/Bish

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 *Great is thy faith-ful-ness, O God my Fa-ther;
2 Sum-mer and win-ter, and spring-time and har-vest,
3 Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth,



there is no shad-ow of turn-ing with thee.
sun, moon, and stars in their cours-es a-bove
thine own dear pres-ence to cheer and to guide,



Thou chang-est not; thy com-pas-sions they fail not.
join with all na-ture in man-i-fold wit-ness
strength for to-day and bright hope for to-mor-row:



Refrain
As thou hast been thou for-ev-er wilt be.
to thy great faith-ful-ness, mer-cy, and love. Great is thy
blessings all mine, with ten thousand be-side!



faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by



morn-ing, new mer-cies I see. All I have need-ed thy



hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord un-to me!

WE LISTEN

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Lynda Nadkarni

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE AS STORY

Luke 13:6-9

MEDITATION

WE RESPOND

HYMN OF RESPONSE

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy, like the wide-ness
2 For the love of God is broad-er than the mea-sures
of the sea. There's a kind-ness in God's jus-tice,
of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter-nal
which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place
is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were
where earth's sor-rows are more felt than up in heaven.
but more faith-ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word,
There is no place where earth's fail - ings
and our lives re - flect thanks - giv - ing
have such kind - ly judg - ment given.
for the good - ness of our Lord.

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

MUSICAL RESPONSE

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

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.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata in a

Kobrich/Wold

JOYS & PRAYER CONCERNS -

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