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Stanford Memorial Church
University Public Worship
August 19, 2012
10:00 a.m.
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

OPENING VOLUNTARY Basse de Trompette
Louis Marchand (1669-1732)

WELCOME Rev. Joanne Sanders

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*HYMN God of Wisdom, Truth and Beauty

*OPENING WORDS (Responses of the people are in italics)

Blessed be God: Eternal Majesty, Incarnate Word and Abiding Spirit.
And blessed be God’s reign, now and forever. Amen.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

May God be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray: Living God, you are the giver of wisdom and true discernment, guiding those
who seek your ways to choose the good. Mercifully grant that your people, feasting on
the bread of heaven, may find life everlasting in Christ Jesus, our strength and our
sustainer. Amen.

*All who are able, please stand.
READING Ephesians 5:15-20  Richard Duncan

VOLUNTARY Tierce en Taille  Marchand

*GOSPEL John 6:51-58

SERMON Faithful Citizenship as Spiritual Practice, Part I Do Not Be Foolish: On Creating the Common Good Rev. Joanne Sanders

*HYMN Praise the Source of Faith and Learning

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us say together: And now because you are one with us O God, enable us to share your life with the world by sharing our own lives with the world. And so we pray, in the words you taught us:

Abba in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your reign come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the triumph, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

SUMMER RENEWAL: YOGA ON THE LABYRINTH Rejuvenate the body, mind and spirit by performing sacred gestures in the sacred space of Memorial Church on a sacred piece of geometry, the labyrinth. The space and light this architecture offers to visitors is awe inspiring and memorable. This labyrinth event will be led by yoga instructor Rebecca Snowball. Tuesday, August 21, 5:00-7:30 p.m., Memorial Church.

WEEKLY PROGRAMS – FREE AND OPEN TO ALL

FREE DOCENT-LED TOURS OF STANFORD MEMORIAL CHURCH Come learn more about the history, inscriptions and construction of this beautiful sacred space. Fridays, 2:00 pm, please meet in front of the church. A tour is also offered every last Sunday of the month at 11:15 am, please meet inside the vestibule of the church.

LABYRINTH IN STANFORD MEMORIAL CHURCH If life has you wandering aimlessly in circles, embark on a personal journey that's stood the test of time for thousands of years. Enter the labyrinth and discover that walking in circles can actually put direction back in your life - that the rhythm and simplicity of following a clear path can quiet your mind, help you find balance, facilitate meditation, insight and celebration. All are welcome. Fridays from 8:00 am - 1:00 pm.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS are available for those who need them. Please see an usher to obtain this enhanced version of our order of service.

HEARING-ASSISTANCE RECEIVERS If you are unable to hear the spoken word easily, hearing-assistance receivers are available from our ushers. Please return the receivers to an usher.

EVENT INFORMATION AND MORE Please visit http://religiouslife.stanford.edu to learn more about the Office for Religious Life, events, read past sermons, join our weekly email newsletter and much more.

KZSU REBROADCAST University Public Worship can be heard on the Internet at http://kzsulive.stanford.edu and on the radio at 90.1 FM every Sunday at 11:30 am.

FOR YOUR SAFETY and MEMORIAL CHURCH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS - Please take a moment to locate your nearest exit. In addition to the front entrance, there are side doors marked with ‘EXIT‘ signs. In the event of a severe emergency, please stay calm and wait for instructions to evacuate carefully. (Reminder: during a minor, rolling earthquake – Stay Calm, Stop, Drop, and Hold under a pew, table, chair, against a wall until the rolling stops. An evacuation in this situation is unlikely.)
ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE EXTEND OUR GRATITUDE to Richard Duncan (reader and Communion helper), John Sakai (Communion helper), and Annette Sakai (Communion helper and usher) for donating their time to assist during today’s worship service. Those wishing to assist in our worship service as readers, ushers, Communion helpers, please call 650-723-1762. We are also looking for volunteers to aid in washing and pressing Communion linens.

WELCOME AND THANK YOU to today’s guest organist, David Parsons. David is a graduate of Princeton, Northwestern and Cambridge universities, and of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. His organ teachers have included Charles T. Maclary, Carl Weinrich, Richard Enright, André Stricker and the late Peter le Huray. David taught at the University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire, and at the New College, Berkeley, and was organist at the First United Methodist Church of Palo Alto from 1987 to 2004. From 1988 to 2005, he worked in San Jose at Adobe Systems Incorporated, where he was a member of the renowned type department, producing digital typefaces (fonts). In addition, David has concertized in Britain, Barbados, and the USA, and enjoys composing and compiling classical scores for some of the great silent films.

TALKBACK SESSION Rev. Joanne Sanders is hosting a sermon talkback session in the Round Room, behind Memorial Church, after this morning’s post-service reception. Bring your refreshments inside 10-15 minutes after the service for a discussion of whatever issues were raised for you by the sermon. We’ll finish by 12:00 noon at the latest.

OFFERINGS today by cash and check are in support of the InnVision Opportunity Center and will be received at the main and side doors after today’s service. Please make checks payable to InnVision. Located on Encina Avenue in Palo Alto, the Opportunity Center is an indoor drop-in center for single men and women, and women/families with children who are un-housed or at risk of becoming un-housed.

PLEASE NOTE Checks written to Stanford University will be considered gifts to Stanford Memorial Church to support the programs and events in this Church. These gifts will not be formally acknowledged in writing, unless your gift check is $250.00 or greater. Thank you for your thoughtfulness in giving.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUMMER SERMON SERIES The Office for Religious Life’s popular University Public Worship Summer Sermon Series is here! Please join us as the Associate Dean for Religious Life, Rev. Joanne Sanders offers a compelling sequence of sermons through September 2.

“Faithful Citizenship as Spiritual Practice”
August 19: Do Not Be Foolish: On Creating the Common Good
August 26: Pray At All Times: On Challenging Powers and Principalities
September 2: Arise My Love: On Seeing a World in Grace

*THE PEACE
The peace of God be with you.
And also with you.

*HYMN
Come My Way My Truth My Life

*THE HOLY COMMUNION
This is the table of God
on which is set tokens of love and hope
and to which the Holy One calls
all who want to share in that life.
So come –
whether your faith is strong or weak,
whether your hope shines brightly or is dimmed.
Come, ready to receive –
for all are welcome
at this feast of love.

Generous God
whose story and song are
now and always
the hope of the world:
We praise you for the stories
of creation and incarnation,
redemption and resolution –
the unending words of love.
We rejoice in your song
of yearning and calling,
waiting and welcoming,
gathering and cherishing –
the eternal music of hope.
And we join our voices now
in that great song
of love and adoration
that creation sings back to you.
NOW LET US HEAR THE STORIES OF THE BREAD AND WINE:

This bread is a sign of hope,
it holds a story
of dying and rising,
of breaking and sharing,
of nourishment and strengthening,
of being more than enough.
It is both the story of what it is in itself
and the story of which it reminds us –
that, on the night before his death,
Jesus took bread and broke it with friends.  
Take and eat, do this for the remembrance of me.

This wine is a sign of hope,  
it holds a story  
of dying and rising,  
of pouring and sharing,  
of refreshment and renewal,  
of being more than enough.

It is both the story of what it is in itself  
and the story of which it reminds us –  
that, on the night before his death,  
Jesus took wine and poured it for friends.  
Drink this cup, poured out for you and for all.

And we too are a sign of hope,  
for we too hold a story  
of death and rising,  
of old and new,  
of offered life  
taken into the hands of God,  
who wastes nothing,  
and there  
becoming more than enough.  
It is both the story of who and what we each are  
and the greater story of which we are a part –  
the ongoing story of God’s reign and life on earth.

And so, as we do in this place what Christ did in an upper room, send down your Holy Spirit on us, and on these gifts of bread and wine – that the story of hope – of death and rising of new life and the fruit of the kingdom – may continue on in us, and through us.  
_Amen._

God, the source of all hope,  
offers to us now these signs of hope  
and invites us to share in their story.

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_Great is Your Faithfulness_ (New Century Hymnal #423, page 2 of 2)
The bread of life.
The cup of hope.

(Adapted from a communion liturgy from Iona Abbey, Scotland on the theme of hope.)

FRACTION ANTHEM  (Organ first, then all)

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

Text: John 6:26, adapted. Robert Barratt, b. 1942, and the Taizé Community

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Great Is Your Faithfulness

VOLUNTARY  Récit  Marchand

Text: Lamentations 3:22–23
Music: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

George Herbert, 1633, alt.

Unison

John 8:12: 14-1-15:11

1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as gives us
   breath; Such a truth as ends all strife;

2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a light as shows a
   feast: Such a feast as mends in length;

3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a joy as none can
   move; Such a love as none can part;

Eternal Spirit, Living God, in whom we live and move and have our being, all that we
are, have been, and shall be is known to you, to the very secrets of our hearts, and all
that rises to trouble us. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared
the Living Bread and cannot remain the same. Living flame, burn into us. Cleansing
wind, blow through us. Fountain of water, well up within us, that we may love and praise
in deed and truth. Amen.

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*HYMN Great is Your Faithfulness

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Dialogue (1696) Marchand

(You are invited to remain seated during the closing voluntary.)
Praise the Source of Faith and Learning

1. Praise the Source of faith and learning that has sparked and stoked the mind with a passion for discerning how the world has been designed. Let the sense of wonder flowing from the wonders we survey keep our faith forever growing and renew our need to pray.

2. God of wisdom, we acknowledge that our science and our art and the breadth of human knowledge only partial truth impart. Far beyond our calculation lies a depth we cannot sound, where your purpose for creation and the pulse of life are found.

3. May our faith redeem the blunder of believing that our thought has displaced the grounds for wonder which the ancient prophets taught. May our learning curb the error which unthinking faith can breed, lest we justify some terror with an antiquated creed.

4. As two currents in a river fight each other’s undertow, till converging they deliver one coherent steady flow, Blend, O God, our faith and learning till they carve a single course, till they join as one, returning praise and thanks to you, their Source.

Text: Troeger
Tune: Hyfryndol

Jane Parker Haber, 1984
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Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824
Arr. by Edward Hodges (1796-1867)