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**Chiming of the Hour**

**Meditation**

“How Firm a Foundation”

(FOUNDATION)  
Michael Burkhardt

**Welcome and Call to Worship**

Matt Rosencrans

One: Beloved child of God, you are welcome here....

**Many: We give thanks to God for bringing us into this moment of worship.**

One: For no matter who you are or where you’ve been you matter to God and to us.

**Many: Our hearts rejoice and give thanks for all those who have come before us and made a place for us to worship, pray, sing, wonder, doubt, believe, and just be.**

One: May the love of God through Christ our Lord convince you of your worth and invitation into this body of believers as we worship together in thanksgiving and hope.

**Witness of Baptism**

Charlie Coker  
Ben Coker

**Choral Summons**

“Hear My Prayer”

Moses Hogan

O Lord, please hear my prayer, in the mornin’ when I rise.  
It’s Your servant bound for glory. O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

**Processional Hymn, No. 449**

“Baptized in Water”

**Litany of Baptism**

Katie Cook

One: In sacred moments, we gather to witness the story of God’s salvation acted out in the waters of baptism. In holy worship, remember your baptism and give thanks.

**Many: As we watch the picture of putting away old things and rising to walk in the newness of life, once again we hear Jesus Christ call us to live into the risky vocation of Christian discipleship.**

One: Through our baptism we are marked as a peculiar people who believe in the radical act of our redemption through Jesus Christ.

**Many: We are immersed into death and raised to walk on mission with Christ in the world.**

One: We do not know what new thing will be born in us, but we ask God's grace to respond in Christ-like love.

**Many: Let us listen once again for the voice from heaven, naming us the beloved children of God, connecting us to all who have felt the waters of baptism soaking them in grace.**

One: God, drench us in the living water of your love. Immerse us in the depths of life in your Spirit.

**All: Raise us once again to walk in new life with you.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Katie Cook

**Old Testament Reading**

*Job 38:1-11*

Matt Rosencrans

**Epistle Reading**

*2 Corinthians 6:1-13*

Daryle Echols

**Hymn, No. 406**

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

**Gospel Reading**

*Mark 4:35-41*

Scott Turner

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Many: Thanks be to God.**

**Prayers of God's People**

Scott Turner

**Offertory**

“Song Without Words, Op. 19, No. 1”

Felix Mendelssohn

Jim Williams, *piano*

*During the offertory, we invite you to prayerfully consider your stewardship of all the resources God is entrusting to you. The work of God at Seventh & James is dependent on the financial generosity and volunteer service of its members and friends. Offering plates are available at the doors of the sanctuary as you leave worship. Join us as you respond to God's call.*

## Doxology, No. 707

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.

## Children's Sermon

Leslie Rosencrans

*All children are invited to come forward for the Children's Sermon.  
Preschoolers [ages 4-kindergarten] may then go to Extended Session.*

## Responsive Reading of Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

Daniel Farris

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

**Many: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble**

One: And gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

**Many: Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the mighty waters;**

One: They saw the deeds of the Lord, his wondrous works in the deep. For he commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea.

**Many: They mounted up to heaven, they went down to the depths; their courage melted away in their calamity;**

One: They reeled and staggered like drunkards, and were at their wits' end. Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out from their distress;

**Many: He made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.**

One: Then they were glad because they had quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven.

**All: Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind. Let them extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.**

**Anthem****“Be Still My Soul”**

arr. Dan Bird

Eury Alvarez, *oboe*

Be still, my soul; the Lord is on thy side;  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.  
Leave to thy God to order and provide;  
In every change He faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul; thy best, thy heav'nly Friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.  
Be still, my soul; thy God doth undertake  
To guide the future as He has the past.  
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know  
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.  
Be still, my soul; the hour is hast'ning on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord,  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,  
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

**Sermon****“Peace! Be Still”**  
*(Mark 4:35-41)*

Erin Conaway

**Silent Reflection**

Now,  
O Lord,  
Calm me into a quietness  
That heals and listens,  
And molds my longings and passions  
My wounds and wonderings  
Into a more holy and human shape.

— Ted Loder

**Hymn of Commitment, No. 618****“Love Lifted Me”**

*If you would like to make a public profession of your faith in Christ  
or request membership in this congregation, our ministers  
will greet you at the front of the sanctuary.*

## **Congregational Response**

In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for you in this place; we offer you our love, our care, our kinship, and our hopes; we hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you, by God's grace. Amen.

## **Mission Trip Commissioning**

Erin Conaway

## **Choral Response**

“Peace I Leave with You”

David W. Music

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you:  
Not as the world giveth, give I to you. Amen.

## **Postlude**

“How Firm a Foundation”

David Cherwein

## **Today at Seventh**

**Our Pianist today** is Jim Williams.

**The Sanctuary Flowers** are given in thankfulness for our church family who allows us to have a place to worship, pray, sing, wonder, doubt, believe, and just be.

Hearing devices are available at the sound booth for any who need assistance.

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