



## Service of Midday Prayer

Wednesday, September 2, 2020

First Presbyterian Church

### OPENING SENTENCES

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**Maker of heaven and earth.**

Remove the sandals from your feet,

**For the place on which you are standing is holy ground.**

The Lord is my strength and my might,

**And has become my salvation.**

Ps. 124:8

Ex. 3:5

Ex. 15:2

### PSALM 124 (Hymn 330)

OLD 124TH

1. Our help is in the name of God the Lord,  
The One who made the heavens with a word,  
Creator of the world, each living thing.  
Come, bless the Lord, lift up your hearts and sing:  
“Our help is in the name of God the Lord.”
2. When evil seems to have the upper hand,  
Call on God’s name: the Lord, the great “I AM.”  
When troubles rise and all around gives way,  
Remember God stays with us night and day.  
Our help is in the name of God the Lord.

3. Praise God the Lord who hears the captives' prayer.  
Like birds escaping from the fowler's snare  
We are set free; our praises now ascend:  
"Blessed be the Lord: Creator, Savior, Friend.  
Our help is in the name of God the Lord."

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

God, you are the power of liberation, calling your servant Moses to lead your people into freedom, and giving him the wisdom to proclaim your holy law. Be our Passover from the land of injustice, be the light that leads us to the perfect rule of love, that we may be citizens of your unfettered reign; we ask this through Jesus Christ, the pioneer of our salvation. Amen.

#### REMEMBERING MOSES

SCRIPTURE Exodus 12:1-14

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sung Response:

***Come, you faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness!  
God has brought forth Israel into joy from sadness,  
Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters;  
Led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.***

#### PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

HYMN

When Israel Was in Egypt's Land

GO DOWN MOSES

1. When Israel was in Egypt's Land, let my people go;  
Oppressed so long they could not stand, let my people go!

***Refrain:***

**Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land;  
Tell old Pharaoh: let my people go!**

2. “No more shall they in bondage toil: let my people go!  
Let them come out with Egypt’s spoil: let my people go!” (Refrain)
3. O let us all from bondage flee; let my people go!  
And let us all in Christ be free: let my people go! (Refrain)

#### DISMISSAL

The Lord will reign forever and ever.

Ex. 15:18

**Amen.**

Bless the Lord.

**The Lord’s name be praised.**