

*Moved and took its  
place behind them...*



*From lament, into hope*

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**Lament is a faithful action** of God's people. Intensely sacred and definitively communal, the Bible bears witness that some shriek and others cover themselves in ashes; some cry out questions before God others shrink into despair. We make space over the next three weeks for lament in our liturgy. Partnered with forward looking preaching, our reformed liturgy is differently shaped for this season. We invite your poetic and prophetic imaginations as we journey together.

At Idlewild, we lament the intensity of staff transitions and the unexpected deaths of Pastor Steve Montgomery and Director of Food Services Faye Smith. We lament the state of the world entrapped in the unseen net of a global pandemic. We lament the breakdown of our country and the raw pain born out of systemic racism.

We continue through this season of lament with courage that we might be brave in this work together.

**Bold text is read or sung by the congregation.**

**\*Asterisk indicates when to stand, if able.**

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
IDLEWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 | 11:00 A.M.

## GATHERING IN THE WORD

### WELCOME

THE REVEREND ANNE H.K. APPLE  
THE REVEREND DR ROBERT WILLIAMSON

### CALL TO LAMENT

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

BETSY HOOD, JESSICA JOSHI,  
JOE LACKIE, GIB WILSON

We face East to the place of dawning light, beauty in the morning sky.

We trust that what is bound on earth, is bound in heaven.

In the morning, and in the evening,

**Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**

We turn and face the West to the place of daily endings, dusk's blessing bringing rest.

We wonder if the Lord is among us or not.

In the morning, and in the evening,

**Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**

We turn and face the North to the place of beginnings, headwaters and heavenly stars,

We desire that you keep our coming in and our going out, from generation to generation.

In the morning and in the evening,

**Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**

We turn and face South to the place of flowing rivers, harbors opening to the sea.

We hope our hearts will draw on God's patience.

In the morning, and in the evening,

**Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**

## MUSICAL REFLECTION

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH (1685 – 1750)

O LAMB GOTTES, UNSCHULDIG, BWV 618

O LAMB OF GOD, INNOCENT

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

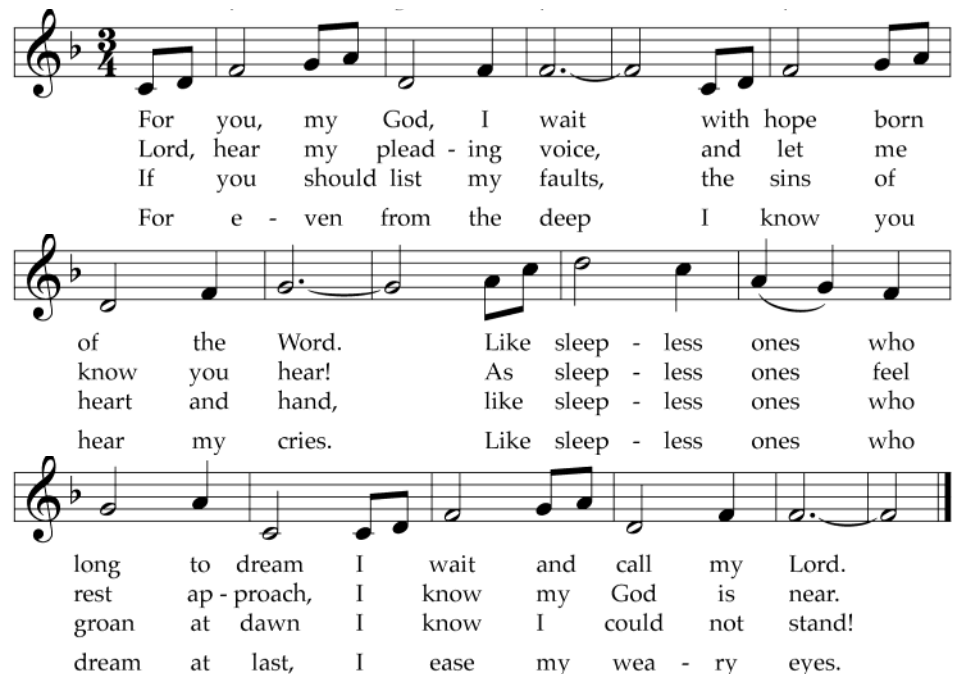
REV. APPLE

\*HYMN NO. 791

“FOR YOU, MY GOD, I WAIT”

SPRINGTIME

**Hymn 791:** Unlike most paraphrases of Psalm 130, this one begins in the thematic center of the psalm and works backwards to the familiar “out of the depths” language of the opening verse. This focus on waiting allows the paraphrase to incorporate the imagery of the brief related Psalm 131.



For you, my God, I wait with hope born  
Lord, hear my plead - ing voice, and let me  
If you should list my faults, the sins of  
For e - ven from the deep I know you  
of the Word. Like sleep - less ones who  
know you hear! As sleep - less ones feel  
heart and hand, like sleep - less ones who  
hear my cries. Like sleep - less ones who  
long to dream I wait and call my Lord.  
rest ap - proach, I know my God is near.  
groan at dawn I know I could not stand!  
dream at last, I ease my wea - ry eyes.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

EXODUS 14: 19–31

RICK BAKER & ALAINA GRESHAM

WADE INTO WORSHIP

MARJORIE REYNOLDS

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

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MATTHEW 18: 21–25

SERMON

THE REVEREND DR. BRIAN K. BLOUNT

HANDBELL PEAL

DAVID SCHNELL

**The sermon is a reflection**  
on the day's scriptures,  
suggesting implications for  
our faith and life.

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*In the presence of a holy God, we become aware of the ways we fall short of God's best hopes for us, and the ways we have hurt others. We turn to God in prayer, asking for forgiveness.*

*Hymn 415: The differing voices of this text indicate that its parts were not created together. The stanzas are cast in the voice of a preacher or exhorter, but the refrain (added later) takes the voice of a penitent heeding that call in language like that of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:18).*

## \*CALL TO CONFESSION

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## \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION HYMN NO. 415

"COME YE SINNERS, POOR AND NEEDY"

RESTORATION

*All or Leader*

1 Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y, weak and wound-ed,  
2 Come, ye thirst-y, come, and wel - come; God's free boun - ty  
3 Come, ye wea - ry, heav - y lad - en, lost and ru - ined  
4 Let not con - science make you lin - ger, nor of fit - ness

sick and sore; Je - sus read - y stands to save you,  
glo - ri - fy, true be - lief and true re - pen - tance,  
by the fall; if you tar - ry till you're bet - ter,  
fond - ly dream; all the fit - ness he re - quir - eth

*Refrain*  
*All*

full of pit - y, love, and power.  
ev - ery grace that brings you nigh. I will a - rise and  
you will nev - er come at all.  
is to feel your need of him.

go to Je - sus; he will em-brace me in his arms. In the

arms of my dear Sav - ior, O there are ten thou-sand charms.

The musical score is written for four parts: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It features a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The score includes a call to confession, a prayer of confession, and a refrain. The lyrics are written below the staves, and the music is arranged in a traditional hymn format.

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hear, O people of God, the law which the Lord speaks in your hearing this day, that you may know his statutes and walk according to his ordinances.

**Teach us, O Lord, the grace of your law, and give us life by your Word.**

The God who saved us in Jesus Christ gave this law, saying: I am the Lord your God! You shall have no other gods before me.

**We will worship the Lord our God and serve only him.**

You shall not make yourself an image of anything to worship it.

**Living no more in bondage to earthly gods, we will worship the Lord our God in spirit and in truth.**

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord.

**We will use the holy name of God with reverence, praising him in everything we do and say.**

You shall observe the Sabbath by keeping it holy, for in six days you shall labor and do all your work.

**This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you!**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

REV. APPLE

## CALL FOR GIFTS, TITHES, AND OFFERINGS

## ANTHEM

"SICUT CERVUS"

GIOVANNI PIERLUIGI DA PALESTRINA (c. 1525 – 1594)

*Sung in Latin:*

*Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Deus.*

As the deer longs for the water-brooks: so longs my soul after you, God.

– Psalm 42

## \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise Christ, all creatures here below.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise Holy Spirit evermore;**

**Praise Triune God whom we adore.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient responses in worship. Having received Christ's peace, we pass it on.*

*During this time of virtual worship, we invite you to continue your support of the church and her mission. Online giving is available through Realm and mailing a payment is also an option.*

*Doxology literally means "words of glory." Doxologies have long been used by Jews and Christians to praise God. We honor and thank God "from whom all blessings flow."*

**Hymn 306:** Written to express a pastor's unwillingness to leave a beloved congregation, this hymn is frequently used as an expression of Christian fellowship, especially at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper. The tune is attributed to an influential Swiss musician and publisher.

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

# SENDING IN THE WORD

## \*SENDING HYMN NO. 306 (verses 1, 3, 5)

"BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS"

DENNIS

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in  
We share our mutual woes; our mutual  
From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of  
bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each  
shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.  
oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.  
friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

RICK BAKER & ALAINA GRESHAM

## \*BENEDICTION

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## POSTLUDE

CHRISTE, DU LAMM GOTTES, BWV 619

CHRIST, YOU LAMB OF GOD

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH (1685 - 1750)

## WORSHIP NOTICES

**The sanctuary flowers** are given to the glory of God and in memory of their loved ones Lucille Benton, Al Stobaugh, Don Doyle, Bonnie Crawford, John Houston, Victoria Reed, Mike Reed, and Doug and Mary Fowler, by Eric Taylor and Haylee Reed who were married here last evening.

**The 11:00 service** is live at [livestream.com/idlewild](https://www.livestream.com/idlewild) and broadcast on 96.1 FM. (Livestream apps are available for Roku and mobile devices.)

**The Reverend Dr. Brian K. Blount** is the president and professor of New Testament at Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond, VA, and Charlotte, NC. He was called to this position in 2007, after serving for 15 years as the Richard J. Dearborn Professor of New Testament Interpretation at Princeton Theological Seminary.

**The Reverend Dr Robert Williamson** is Professor and Chair of Religious Studies at Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas, where he teaches courses in biblical studies. He is also the founding pastor of Mercy Community Church in Little Rock, Arkansas.

**Music is printed** under Onelicense.net A-702280.

## VISITOR NOTICES

**Welcome to our visitors!** We are glad to have you join our Livestream worship.

**New members are** received by the Session. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join the Idlewild family. Please call 726-4681 during the week.

**For confidential prayer requests,** call the prayer chain, 487-6062.

**If you have a personal emergency,** hospitalization, or pastoral care need, please call the church office at 726-4681. If it is after office hours or on the weekend, you may leave a confidential message (please press one to reach the voicemail box). Messages are checked regularly so that pastoral needs can be directed to the clergy.

### An Invitation to Brave Space

by Micky ScottBey Jones

Together we will create brave space  
Because there is no such thing as a "safe space"  
We exist in the real world  
We all carry scars and we have all caused wounds.  
In this space  
We seek to turn down the volume of the outside world,  
We amplify voices that fight to be heard elsewhere,  
We call each other to more truth and love  
We have the right to start somewhere and continue to grow.  
We have the responsibility to examine what we think we know.  
We will not be perfect.  
This space will not be perfect.  
It will not always be what we wish it to be  
But  
It will be our brave space together,  
and  
We will work on it side by side.



# The Mission of Idlewild

The mission of Idlewild Presbyterian Church is to pursue, personify, and practice as Presbyterians the good news of reconciliation and salvation in Christ through worship, formation, nurture, and outreach.

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## A Vision of Idlewild

Idlewild Presbyterian Church is a community in which ...

**J**esus Christ is the center;  
the mighty voice of God inspires us to love;  
the Spirit joyfully sustains and nurtures seekers of every age,  
stage, and circumstance.

**W**orship forms the core of community life;  
prayer binds our brokenness and connects us in Christ's love  
to God and to one another;  
music, poetry, and art flourish in gratitude to our Creator;  
the beauty of creation is treasured and preserved;  
all the members of the church are ministers.

**T**he focus is scripture and its meaning for today;  
faith is formed and spirits nourished through reflection,  
practice and shared learning;  
the wisdom of other faith traditions is respected;  
and a diverse membership enriches and unites us.

**J**ustice speaks loudly and peace is our aspiration;  
all voices are heard;  
recreation and play are a wellspring for fellowship,  
celebration, and growth;  
the love of God guides our minds and spirits,  
leading us to right action in our hearts, our homes,  
our community, our nation, and our world,

**A**nd all who enter find a home.



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