

Worship on the Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
August 27, 2023

The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor  
H.P. Bunaes, Pianist  
John Klimczak, Trumpeter

**Prelude** "Prelude in C Major" J.S. Bach

**Welcome and Announcements** Dr. Rosanna Anderson

**Call to Worship** Psalm 124

If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when our enemies attacked us,  
**then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us.**

Blessed be the LORD, who has not given us as prey to their teeth.

**We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers;**  
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

**Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

**Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God, you have taught us that all our deeds without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the source of peace and goodness, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and forever. Amen.

**Hymn 698** "God of the Ages"

**Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your great compassion, forgive us. We pray in the name of Christ our risen Savior. Amen.

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Old Testament** 1 Kings 17:1-16 James Myers

**New Testament** Mark 4:30-34

**Sermon** "Obedient Ravens and Nesting Birds" Dr. Anderson

**Gathering the Collection**

**Doxology** Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise him, all creatures here below.  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Creator of the universe, you go before us on life's path and clear the way. As we bring you our offerings, we affirm your presence with us in the pits of despair as well as in the places of plenty. We give with gratitude, in your holy name. Amen.**

**Sharing Joys and Prayer Concerns**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not  
into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Hymn** "All Through the Night" Traditional Welsh tune  
Sleep, my child, and peace attend thee All through the night;  
Guardian angels God will send thee All through the night.  
Soft the drowsy hours are creeping, Hill and vale in slumber sleeping,  
I my loving vigil keeping, All through the night.

Deep the silence round us spreading, All through the night;  
Dark the path that we are treading, All through the night.  
Still the coming day discerning, By the hope within us burning,  
To the dawn our footsteps turning, All through the night.

Star of Faith the dark adorning, All through the night;  
Leads us fearless toward the morning, All through the night.

Though our hearts be wrapped in sorrow, From the home of dawn we borrow,  
Promise of a glad tomorrow, All through the night.

**Benediction**

Dr. Anderson

**Postlude**

“Canon in D”

Johann Pachelbel

### Church Calendar

**Wednesday, August 30 Bible Study:** Chapter 16, conclusion  
8:00 – 9:00 am Union Chapel and via live stream

**Thursday, August 31 Vespers at South Beach**  
6:00 – 6:30 pm Pastor Rosanna leads this evening prayer  
service, a joint project with St. John’s

**Sunday, September 3 Worship Services**  
**Beach Church** 8:00 – 8:30 am at Dock Beach  
**Worship** 10:00 – 11:00 am Union Chapel and live stream

**Saturday, September 9 Funeral for Richard Edwards**  
11:30 am Union Chapel and via live stream, with the interment  
of cremains at the cemetery and a reception in Fellowship Hall

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*“Whoever you are and wherever you are on  
your faith journey, you are welcome here.”*



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