

Worship on the Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
October 22, 2023

Dr. Clifford Anderson, Guest Preacher
Diane Dexter, Organist

Prelude “Prelude in C Minor” Frédéric Chopin

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Anderson

Call to Worship Psalm 99

The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!

God sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

Let them praise your great and wondrous name. Holy is he!

Mighty Ruler, lover of justice, you have established equity;

you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Extol the Lord our God. **Worship at God’s footstool. Holy is he!**

Prayer of the Day

O God, from whom all good counsels and just works proceed: give to your church the peace which the world cannot give, so that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments, and free from the fear of our enemies we may pass our time serving you in trust and quietness, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Hymn 580 “Lead On, O King Eternal”

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, so that

we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Exodus 33:12-23

New Testament 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Sermon “Philosophers and Poets” Dr. Clifford Anderson

Offertory “He Is Lord” Tom Fettke

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

God of our salvation, through Jesus Christ’s self-offering on the cross, you granted eternal life. Use our gifts to bring relief to people in need of physical and spiritual healing. We pray in the name of Christ our risen Lord. Amen.

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and 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 176 “Majesty, Worship His Majesty”

Benediction

Dr. Anderson

Postlude "I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"

Church Calendar

Wednesday, October 25 10:00 a.m. **Bible Study**
Chapter 6 "Fasting from Excess" at Union Chapel and Online

Sunday, October 29 10:00 a.m. **Worship on**
Reformation Sunday with the Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson

Wednesday, November 1 10:00 a.m. **Bible Study**
Chapter 7 "Of Conscience and Consciousness: Confession and Awareness" at Union Chapel and Online

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your faith journey, you are welcome here."*



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