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September 29, 2024

9:45 AM

***19th Sunday after Pentecost***

***Guess Who?: A Series Investigating Key Figures of the Bible***

***Mt. Zion Bible Detectives: Uncovering the Wonders and Mysteries of the Faith***

*Thank you for worshiping with us today. If you are a guest, we invite you to take a moment to complete a visitor's card located in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. We also invite you to sign your name in our guest book located in the back entrance of the sanctuary.*

*We welcome infants and children and all their wiggles & voices in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back narthex where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We have children's books and activity bags for them to enjoy! Additionally, after the children's message, children from 3 years old—6th grade are invited to participate in Sunday school in our classroom downstairs. They can choose to attend Sunday school or return to their seats to sit with their parents. Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance!*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS: BLANKET SUNDAY  
JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**WEEKLY CLUES  
PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>**

L: No one is an island. We are all joined in Christ Jesus. We are all protected in God's loving care.

**C: Who else is like you, loving God? Who is like you: beautiful in holiness, awesome in all the things you do for us.**

L: No one lives by themselves, no one dies by themselves. Whether we live or die we are the Lord's.

**C: The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.  
I cannot hold back my praise of our God.**

# This is the Day

Les Garrett

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Piano 

1. This is the day, this is the day that our God has made, that our  
 2. This is the day, this is the day Je - sus rose a - gain, Je - sus  
 3. This is the day, this is the day when the Spir - it came, when the

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God has made; we will re-joice, we will re-joice and be glad in it, and be  
 rose a - gain; we will re-joice, we will re-joice and be glad in it, and be  
 Spir - it came; we will re-joice, we will re-joice and be glad in it, and be

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glad in it. This is the day that our God has made, we will re-joice and be  
 glad in it. This is the day Je - sus rose a - gain, we will re-joice and be  
 glad in it. This is the day when the Spir - it came, we will re-joice and be

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glad in it; This is the day, this is the day that our God has made.  
 glad in it; This is the day, this is the day Je - sus rose a - gain.  
 glad in it; This is the day, this is the day when the Spir - it came.

**\*TIME OF CONFESSION<sup>2</sup>**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

L: God our Savior,

**C: The Pharaoh decrees death to the foreigner. The power of fear and hate rage surround us. In the face of evil, forgive us our complacency. The burning bush flickers beside us. The presence of God invites us. In the presence of the holy, forgive us our lack of notice.**

**The Red Sea waters stand at attention. The threshold of grace is breath-taking. In the company of grace, forgive us our reticence to embrace.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**ACT OF PRAISE NO. 295 NCH (v. 1)**

*I Sing a Song of the Saints of God*

**ALL SING: I sing a song of the saints of God, faithful their whole lives through, who bravely labored lived and died for the God they loved and knew. And one was a doctor and one was a queen and another a shepherd in pastures green. They were saints of God if you know what I mean God help me to be one too.**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Guess Who? Scriptures

**REFLECTION**

**HYMN SING!**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**ALL: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**TIME FOR SHARING**

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY & DISCIPLESHIP

OFFERTORY

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*CLOSING HYMN NO. 476 NCH (see next page)**

*How Can I Keep from Singing?*

# My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep From Singing)

Robert Lowry, 1869

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$\text{♩} = 80$

Piano

1. My life flows on in end-less song; a-bove earth's lam-en-  
2. What though my joys and com-forts die? My Sav-ior still is  
3. When ty-rants trem-ble, sick with fear, and hear their death knells  
4. I lift my eyes; the cloud grows thin; I see the blue a-

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-ta-tion, I hear the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre-  
liv-ing. What though the shad-ows gath-er 'round? A new song Christ is  
ring-ing; When friends re-joice both far and near, how can I keep from  
-bove it; And day by day this path-way smooths, since first I learned to

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-a-tion. Through all the tu-mult and the strife, I hear the mu-sic  
giv-ing. No storm can shake my in-most calm, while to that Rock I'm  
sing-ing? In pris-on cell and dun-geon vile our thoughts to them are  
love it. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev-er

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ring-ing; It finds an ech-o in my soul, how can I keep from singing?  
cling-ing; Since Love com-mands both heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?  
wing-ing; When friends by shame are un-de-filed, how can I keep from singing?  
spring-ing; All things are mine since I am Christ's, how can I keep from singing?

## \*BENEDICTION POSTLUDE

### References

<sup>1</sup>The Call to Worship is adapted from the writings of Bruce Prewer, from [Bruce Prewer's Homepage](#) and accessed for worship on 9/19/24.

<sup>2</sup>The Prayer of Confession is Copyright © 1999 by Katherine Hawker, based upon a series of readings from Exodus. Posted on her Outside the Box website. And accessed for use with permission on 9/19/24.

Thank you to all serving in worship this morning!

**Welcome Team Members**—Lana Fritz, Jodi Graham, Norma Hull, & Robin Schriver

**Liturgist**—Tama Allison & Carol Hartman

**Tech Team**—Ron Miles, Jen Miller, & John Schriver