WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PASTORAL GREETING

PRELUDE “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Thy Word” Johann Gottfried Walther

RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP Rebecca Pritchard

We gather this morning to honor the Sabbath and keep it holy. We pause in the busyness of our frenzied world trusting in the peace of the Holy One. We turn off the meaningless distractions of our lives, to be able to turn towards the wisdom of our God. Speak, O Spirit, for we are listening.

HYMN “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” #469
Music and Text: Ken Medema, 1970
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Lord, listen to your children praying.
Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying.
Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

TIME OF CONFESSION Stumbling Stones

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Rebecca Pritchard

Who is in a position to condemn any other? Only the only one without sin, Christ Jesus. Jesus came into the world not to condemn us, but to love and lead us in the way of life. Through the love of the Holy One we are forgiven.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Rev. Colin Pritchard

ORGAN MEDITATION “What a Friend We Have In Jesus” setting by Robert A. Hobby

SCRIPTURE READING John 17 Beth Kinne

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, ‘Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

‘I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you
sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

MESSAGE                                                     "Prayer"                                             Rev. Colin Pritchard

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Present & Faithful God,

You see every little thing and you know all things.

You see the exhausted teachers and struggling students. You see parents in chaos and senior citizen in isolation. You see those who are unemployed and those who are trying against all odds to keep a business running. You see the homeless and the hopeless. You see the addicted and depressed. You see the grieving and the fearful. You see the anxious and the angry. You see the violent and the voiceless. You see the famous and the forgotten. You see the foolish and the faithful. And you love us all.

With this assurance, most Holy One, we come to you with the truth of our lives and our prayers for this world.

We ask you for healing for the sick, endurance and rest for essential workers, and protection for the most vulnerable among us, especially as we remember the elderly, disabled, displaced, and poor.
We ask for wisdom for our nation and community leaders as we seek economic, ecological, and racial justice.

We ask that you show us, as the church and individuals, how to be instruments of that peace and justice every day. Help us to see how each of these are essential elements of the other and essential elements of your kingdom coming on the earth.

Show us how to receive your mercies as fresh and new every morning.

We thank you that it is in you that we live and move and have our being. All this we pray in Jesus’ name, praying as he taught us, saying,

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.
(Adapted from a prayer by Brooke Matejka from 5th Ave Presbyterian Church)

**HYMN**

“*I Need Thee Every Hour*”

Text: Annie S. Hawks, 1872; ref., Robert Lowry, 1872
Music: Robert Lowry, 1872

I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord;  
No tender voice like thine can peace afford.  
I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee!  
O bless me now, my Savior -- I come to thee!

I need thee every hour; stay thou near by;  
Temptations lose their power when thou art nigh.  
I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee!  
O bless me now, my Savior -- I come to thee!

I need thee every hour; teach me thy will,  
and thy rich promises in me fulfill.  
I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee!  
O bless me now, my Savior -- I come to thee!

I need thee every hour, Most Holy One;  
O make me thine indeed, thou blessed Son.  
I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee!  
O bless me now, my Savior -- I come to thee!

**BENEDICTION**

May the peace of the Lord go with you, wherever he may send you. May she guide you through the wilderness and protect you from the storm. May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you. May she bring you home rejoicing, once again into these doors. The peace of the Lord be with you. The peace of the Lord go with you.
POSTLUDE

“The Glory of These Forty Days”
setting by Winston Cassler, ed. and arr. by Wayne L. Wold