

**PRESBYTERY OF WEST VIRGINIA STAFF-LED WORSHIP
JULY 2021**

PRELUDE

SUSAN SHARP CAMPBELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

MARK MILLER AND SARAH SPECHT

One: We gather in the presence of the Life-giving God

Many: to offer praise and thanksgiving for all God had done for us.

One: We rejoice that in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, Christ,
we have been set free-

Many: free from the power of sin that leads to death,

One: free to follow the leading of the Spirit

Many: free to love God with all our heart, mind, strength and soul.

HYMN

“PRAISE MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN”

BARBARA CHALFANT

1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

2 Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress;
praise him still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.

3 Fatherlike, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows.

4 Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

CALL TO CONFESSION

ED THOMPSON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SUSAN SHARP CAMPBELL

**O Lord, our God, you call us to work for a world
where all will be fed and have dignity,
but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires.**

**You call us to seek justice and peace,
but we are satisfied with injustice and discord.**

**You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed,
but we do not insist on freedom for all.**

Time for Silent Confession

Forgive us, O Lord.

**Turn us to your will be the power of your Spirit,
so that all may know your justice and peace;
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ED THOMPSON

One: Hear the word of the Lord.
In the life, death and resurrection of Jesus,
God says unequivocally, irrevocably:
you are my own; you are forgiven.

Many: **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

AMY ROBINSON

SCRIPTURE(S)

**PSALM 119:105-112
ROMANS 8:1-11**

ROCKY POOLE

CHILDREN'S TIME

MAUREEN WRIGHT

SERMON

ROCKY POOLE

HYMN

"GOD OF THE AGES, WHOSE ALMIGHTY HAND"

BARBARA CHALFANT

1. God of the ages whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

2. Thy love divine hath led us in the past.
In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay;
thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

3. From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
Be thy strong arm our ever sure defense.
Thy true religion in our hearts increase.
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

4. Refresh thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never-ending day.
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SARAH SPECHT

OFFERING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

NELLIE HOWARD

SUSAN SHARP CAMPBELL

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HYMN**“O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING”****BARBARA CHALFANT**

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of God's grace!

2 Jesus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.

3 Christ breaks the power of reigning sin, And sets the prisoner free;
Christ's blood can make the sinful clean, Christ's blood availed for me.

4 My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad The honors of Thy name.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**ROCKY POOLE****POSTLUDE****MARK MILLER****Worship Notes:**

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