

*Chapel by the Sea  
Presbyterian Church (USA)  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
May 16, 2021*



*Chapel by the Sea was the first church on our island and remains a church for the community, welcoming all people seeking to know and serve Christ. We are a mission for Jesus Christ and church for all seasons...*

*...seasons of life*

*...seasons of the year*

*...seasons of our growth as Christians*

# ***A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY***

## ***TOLLING OF THE BELL***

## ***WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS***

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

## ***PRELUDE***

*Rondo*

John Bull (1563-1628)

Michael Melnikov, Organ

## ***CALL TO WORSHIP***

One: The Lord be with you,

**All: And also with you.**

One: We have come to worship our Father in heaven.

**All: We have come to seek His will.**

One: We have come to be fed and nourished by His Word.

**All: We have come to seek forgiveness.**

One: Let us worship our Lord and sing praise to His name.

*\*HYMN #339 (All Verses)*

*Be Thou My Vision*

SLANE

**1** Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art--  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

**2** Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

3 Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

*CALL TO RENEWAL (I John 1:8-9)*

Dr. Adkison

**“If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” Let us confess our sins to God and to one another....**

*PRAYER OF RENEWAL (In Unison)*

Dr. Adkison

**God of patient love, your generous and ever-seeking heart is often a contrast to our chosen way. We are prone to make snap judgments, form quick opinions, and rely on flimsy prejudices. We look for differences that let us exclude, rather than differences that give us cause for celebrating each other's uniqueness. We see the outside appearances and miss the deep glance into the heart. We are all too ready for others to be judged and put in their own place. We are reluctant to face our own faults, to look into our own hearts. God of patient love, help us hear again that your love and your salvation is for all – even ourselves and those we exclude. Generous God, forgive us and set us free from ourselves, in Jesus' name, Amen.**

*GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS*

Dr. Adkison

**God's abundance extends to God's forgiveness. Receive that plenteous gift of grace. Be blessed by God's pardon; be changed by God's favor. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen!**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. A – men, A – men.**

**OFFERTORY**

*Fugue in C Major*  
Michael Melnikov, Organ

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

**\*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. A-men.**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

***John 20:24-31 (NIV)***

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord!”

But he said to them, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!” <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.”

<sup>28</sup>Thomas said to him, “My Lord and my God!”

<sup>29</sup>Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

<sup>30</sup>Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

**Thanks be to God!**

*SERMON*

*“Believing Is Seeing?”*

Dr. Adkison

*ANTHEM*

*The Lord’s Prayer*

Albert Hay Malotte

Kim Southworth and Peter Cartwright, Duet

*INSTALLATION OF ELDERS*

Tim Cherry

Emily Porter

Laura Miller

Ronald Willow

Jennifer Pinkard

*PASTORAL PRAYER & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Go Now In Peace, Never Be Afraid.  
God Will Go With You, Each Hour Of Every Day.  
Go Now In Faith, Steadfast, Strong And True.  
Know He Will Guide You In All You Do.  
Go Now In Love, And Show You Believe.  
Reach Out To Others, So All The World Can See.  
God Will Be There, Watching From Above.  
Go Now In Peace, In Faith, And In Love.  
Amen, Amen, Amen.**

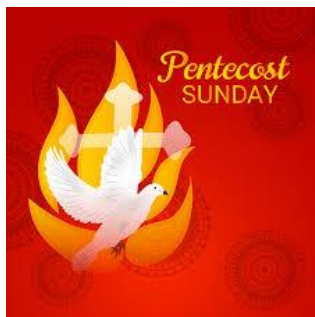
*BENEDICTION*

Dr. Adkison

*POSTLUDE*

*Basse et Dessus de Trompette*  
Michael Melnikov, Organ

Louis-Nicolas Clerambault  
(1676-1749)



Reminder: **Pentecost Sunday** — On May 23, we will celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit Pentecost. Please wear **red** to worship services as a sign of the tongues of the fire of the Holy Spirit.

Before the Benediction is given, there will be a very short Congregational Meeting for the purpose of officially dissolving the pastoral relationship between Chapel by the Sea and Pastor Steve.

After the worship service, we will say goodbye to the Adkison Family. Join us to bid...

**FAREWELL TO PASTOR STEVE & AMY  
WITH  
CUPCAKES & CARDS IN SILVER HALL**

\*Denote standing, if able.

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## Prayer Guide — May 16, 2021

*“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” --Philippians 4:6-7*

Please pray for...

- Chris Blackmer Family
- Nancy Bryant George
- Jean Shell
- John & Julianna Beal
- Sheila Simpson
- Miffie Greer
- Jessica Holmes
- Roy O’Doherty
- The Adkison Family
- Emily Porter
- Jim & Lorri Marshall
- Mary Lou Dietz
- Bill & Sandy Peters
- Sandy DeJonge
- Bill Figgins
- Jim
- Michelle
- Coen Holmes & Family
- Vann Turner
- Jack & Julia Palmer
- Bill
- Bill Mouw
- Cheryl Bredin
- Sue Brady
- Harry Willard
- Marie, Jeanne, Aubrey & Stefan
- Linda Brown
- The Bob Horning Family
- Amy Bell Finiki
- John Berkenpas
- Alta Nodland
- Karin, Penny & Matt & Families
- Drew Vandlen
- Jim Silvernail
- Audrey Berkenpas
- Joy Booth
- Maria Werner
- Chris M.
- Amanda volunteering in Africa
- Aubrey
- Peggy Huff
- David Conrad
- Graeie Grant
- Josh Stevens, USN
- Craig & Laurie Furlong
- Bob & Ginny Lemire
- Bushnell Family
- Fasick, Bennett, Rhodus & Eggar Families
- Sidok Family
- Chris Foster
- Kathy Frazee
- Linda Hinrichs
- Brad & Pam Cox
- Deb, Connie, Alan
- Greg Beller
- Craig Allen
- Lauren & Marilyn Kamm
- Jarrod Karnes
- Katie Spyke
- Haas Family
- Jay Dishnow
- Merlyn O’Malley
- Doris Lynch
- R.J. & Family
- Tim & Karen
- LaCombe Families
- Unspoken

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