

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Worship Guide for June 26, 2022 - "Sunday in the Park"

Welcome & Announcements *Larry Johnson*

Call to Worship *Rev. Marvin Daniel, Guest Preacher*

Opening Hymn "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder" (a/k/a "Jacob's Ladder")

- V. 1 We are climbing Jacob's ladder, We are climbing Jacob's ladder,
We are climbing Jacob's ladder, Soldiers of the cross.

- V.2 Ev'ry round goes higher, higher, Ev'ry round goes higher, higher,
Ev'ry round goes higher, higher, Soldiers of the cross

- V. 3 Children, do you love my Jesus? Children, do you love my Jesus?
Children, do you love my Jesus? Soldiers of the cross.

- V. 4 If you love him, why not serve him? If you love him, why not serve him?
If you love him, why not serve him? Soldiers of the cross.

- V. 5 Rise, shine, give God glory, Rise, shine, give God glory,
Rise, shine, give God glory, Soldiers of the cross.

Lyrics & Music: African-American spiritual; public domain.

Prayer of Confession [In unison]

Merciful God, we confess that we have not been faithful children. We have not lived by your law; we have remained silent in the face of evil; we have not refrained from deceit; we have not followed in the way of peace; and we have not honored all that is true and good. We have been foolish and immature people who resist the holy wisdom you graciously offer. Forgive us our sin, O God, and lead us to sincere repentance through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Scripture: Old Testament: Psalm 16; New Testament: Matthew 6:28-33 *Rev. Daniel*

Sermon: "What, Me Worry?" *Rev. Daniel*

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer [Prayer offered by Pastor, followed by Lord's Prayer in unison]

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.

Affirmation of Faith [In unison]

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call for Offering **Rev. Daniel**

Offering

Prayer of Dedication [In unison]

Gracious God, all that we have is a gift from you. Take these gifts that we give and use them for your service, that others might be fed in body and in spirit. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Departing Hymn, ""Little Brown Church" (a/k/a/ "Church in the Wildwood")

V. 1 There's a church in the valley by the wildwood, No lovelier spot in the dale;
No place is so dear to my childhood, As the little brown church in the vale.

*Refrain: Come to the church in the wildwood, Oh, come to the church in the vale;
No spot is so dear to my childhood As the little brown church in the vale.*

V. 2 Oh, come to the church in the wildwood, To the trees where the wild flowers bloom;
Where the parting hymn will be chanted, We will weep by the side of the tomb. *[Refrain]*

V.3 How sweet on a clear Sunday morning, To list to the clear ringing bell;
Its tones so sweetly are calling, Oh, come to the church in the vale. *[Refrain]*

V. 4 From the church in the valley by the wildwood, When day fades away in to night,
I would fain from this spot of my childhood, Wing my way to the mansions of light. *[Refrain]*

Lyrics & Music: W. S. Pitts, 1857; public domain

Charge & Benediction **Rev. Daniel**

Blessing of Meal **Rev. Daniel**

Resource: THE HOLY BIBLE, (NRSV trans. & alt., The Message Trans.).

Resource: Public domain hymns from Hymnary.org.

Resource: "Apostles' Creed", BOOK OF ORDER, PC (USA)