

Welcome to the International Protestant Church of Zurich!



July 9, 2023  
11:30

Growing together and reaching out in Christ

## ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

During the Prelude, you are invited to meditate on the Psalm of the Day as you prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

### Prelude

Little Prelude in B flat Major BWV 560  
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 – 1750)  
Ruth Pfister, Organ

### Psalm of the Day

Psalm 1:1-3

- <sup>1</sup> Blessed is the one  
    who does not walk in step with the wicked  
or stand in the way that sinners take  
    or sit in the company of mockers,  
<sup>2</sup> but whose delight is in the law of the LORD,  
    and who meditates on his law day and night.  
<sup>3</sup> That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,  
    which yields its fruit in season  
and whose leaf does not wither—  
    whatever they do prospers.

### Welcome and Commissioning Prayer

Nathan Wannemacher

### \*Call to Worship

Aaron Cherukara

Leader: Now no one can look at the sun, bright as it is in the skies after the wind has swept them clean. Out of the north he comes in golden splendor – God comes in awesome majesty.

**People: The Almighty is beyond our reach and exalted in power; in his justice and great righteousness, he does not oppress.**

Leader: Therefore, people revere him, for does he not have regard for all the wise in heart?

**People: In the past God spoke through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.**

Leader: The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word.

**People: After the Son had provided purification from sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. (Job 37:21-24 and Hebrews 1:1-3)**

### \*Hymn of Praise

#411 "Arise Your Light Is Come"

Words: Ruth Duck; Music: William H. Walter

## Examination

Nathan Wannemacher

**People:** Search me, God, and know my heart;  
test me and know my anxious thoughts.

**See if there is any offensive way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting (Psalm 139:23-24).**

Leader: Let us search our hearts and silently confess our sins to God.

## Prayer of Confession

**People:** Almighty God, with our whole hearts,  
we confess to you our neglect and forgetfulness of your commandments,  
our wrong doing, thinking, and speaking;  
the hurts we have done to others,  
and the good we have left undone.

**O God, forgive us, for we have sinned against you;  
and bring us closer to yourself;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

## \*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The God of love and power  
has forgiven you and freed you from your sins,  
he has healed and strengthened you by his Spirit,  
and he has raised you to new life in Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

## \*Gloria Patri

#579 "Glory Be to the Father"

Words: Henry W. Greatorex; Tune: *Gloria Patri*

## MINISTRY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

Isaiah 61:1-3 (p. 749)

Aaron Cherukara

### Meditation

Intermezzo. Andante con moto from Sonata Nr. 3 op 88 in G Major

Josef Rheinberger (1839 – 1901)

Ruth Pfister, Organ

### Second Reading

Colossians 1:15-23 (p. 1182)

### Sermon

"IPC's Propelling Power"

Rev. James Bultema

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

### **\*Hymn of Response**

#339 "Be Thou My Vision"

Words: Ancient Irish poem, Trans. Mary E. Byrne; Music: Irish ballad

### **Prayer of Dedication of Tithes and Offerings**

Jean-Claude Gottraux,  
Council Chair

### **Offertory**

Consolation Nr. 4 in D flat Major

Franz Liszt (1811 – 1886)

Ruth Pfister, Organ

### **\*Doxology**

#592 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Words: Thomas Ken; Music: Genevan Psalter

### **Prayers of the People**

Jean-Claude Gottraux

**The Lord's Prayer** (p. 16, traditional)

## GOING WITH GOD'S MISSION AND BLESSING

### **Welcoming of Guests**

Jean-Claude Gottraux

### **Announcements**

### **Moment for Mission**

The Shan

Barbara Bagajo

### **\*Hymn of Dedication**

Insert "At the Name of Jesus"

Words: Caroline M. Noel; Music: James Mountain

### **\*Commissioning and Pastoral Benediction**

Rev. James Bultema

### **Postlude**

Tonstück op. 22 Nr. 1 in F Major Moderato

Nils Wilhelm Gade (1817 – 1890)

Ruth Pfister, Organ

*Please remain quietly seated during the postlude. For those who need to leave, please do so quietly.*

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***\*Please stand if you are able.***