# September 4, 2022



# First Presbyterian Church of Mountain View

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171 years in Mountain View

## **GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

\*We invite all to stand either in body or in spirit

#### **PRELUDE**

WELCOME Larry Thorson

\*OPENING PRAISE SONG "Grace Alone" Praise Band

#### \*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Wendy Nelson

Leader: God has given us breath to live and spirit to sing. Thanks be to God. People: God has gathered us into a community of care and worship.

Leader: Let us worship God with love, thanksgiving, and praise.

\*HYMN "Bless His Holy Name" #13

#### UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Wendy Nelson

Almighty God in heaven, our hearts desire the warmth of your love and our minds are searching for the light of your Word. We confess that we have longed for things rather than you. Give us the strength to grow in love, that the dawn of your coming may find us rejoicing in your presence and welcoming the light of this truth. We ask this in your name, Almighty God. Amen.

#### SILENT TIME OF PRAYER

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Wendy Nelson

The God who judges people with righteousness, defends the cause of the poor and gives deliverance to the needy cleanses us from sin; for if we turn from our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

\*RESPONSE "Gloria Patri" #623

\*PASSING THE PEACE: May the peace of Christ be with you.

# PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 24:1-8 (NIV) Wendy Nelson

SPECIAL MUSIC "Oh Sing" Janelle Herrera & Mary Hamilton Written by the Native Siblings

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 11:18-29 (NIV) Larry Thorson

**SERMON** "Why We Observe Communion" Larry Thorson

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER:** Servers: Mickey Hu & Lora Shirley

#### **CALL TO THE TABLE**

Leader: This is the joyful feast of the people of God!

People: They will come from east and west and from north and south, and

eat at the Lord's table.

Leader: Our Savior invites all to share the feast that he has prepared.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Please come forward to receive the bread and the cup from the communion servers. You may eat the bread when you are ready, symbolizing the individual relationship each one of us have with Christ. Please hold the cup until all have been served, symbolizing our relationship with Jesus Christ as a community of faith together.

### **Response of Thanksgiving and Praise**

**Leader:** O God, we give you grateful thanks for all that lies within this meal.

People: May our lives show the signs that love is possible

Leader: Grace is believable,

People: and compassion is our way of life.

In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

#### SHARING OF PRAISES AND PRAYERS

#### LORD'S PRAYER

### **GO IN GOD'S NAME**

\*HYMN "More Love to Thee" #363

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "I Will Celebrate"

### **Assisting in Worship Today**

Mickey Hu, Greeter | Wendy Nelson, Liturgist Tan Sang, pianist | Richard Concepcion, IT assistant Janelle Hererra | Ian-Carl Floirendo | Praise Band

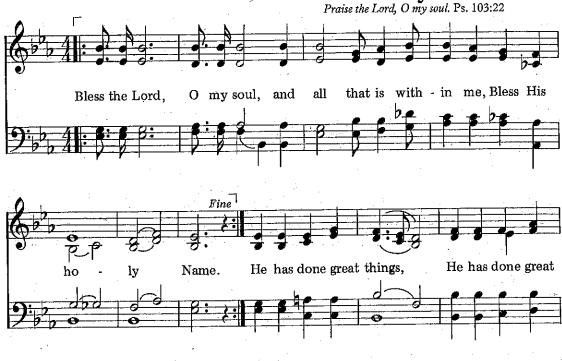
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Sunday	September 4	9:00am	Bible Study/Library & Zoom Study of the Book of Job				
		10:00am	Worship/Sanctuary				
Thursday	September 8	5:00pm	Sing Along/Zoom				
		7:30pm	Choir Rehearsal				
Saturday	September 10	9:00am	Book Club				

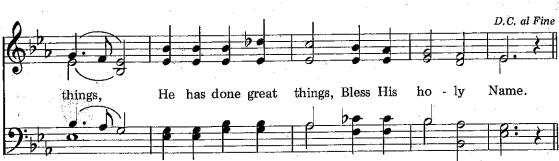
#### **Did You Know?**

- Today we welcome our new music staff member, Tan Sang, as the church accompanist. Please stop and say hello to Tan today after the service.
- A big "thank you" to everyone who donated socks. We will collect the socks for men and women (size medium and up), every Sunday in September.
- Everyone is invited to the Fall Potluck Luncheon on September 25. With the
  autumn season beginning, it is an exciting time to come together. Please
  join us following the Sunday service on the patio. If you wish to bring
  something, please sign up on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary. We
  welcome appetizers, side dishes, crock-pots of soup, salads and desserts.



# Bless His Holy Name 13



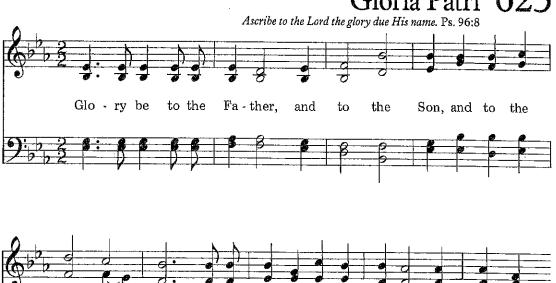


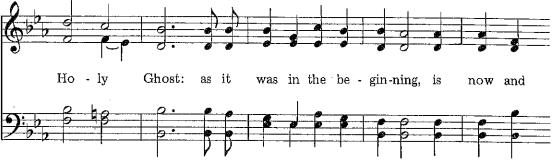
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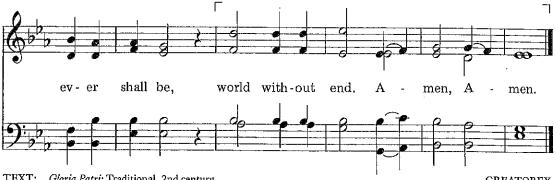
BLESS HIS HOLY NAME Irregular meter

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# Gloria Patri 623







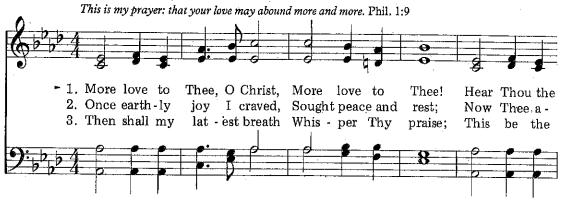
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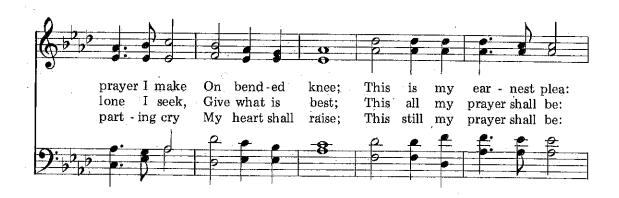
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# 363 More Love to Thee







TEXT: Elizabeth P. Prentiss MUSIC: William H. Doane

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