

The Eliot Church of Newton

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Third Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome guest! Here is a sample of a Sunday Worship Bulletin at Eliot Church, to give you a sense of the order of service and the music of our prayer life. We hope you can join us soon in person for our 10:00 Sunday service.

Pastors Tony Kill & Karla Miller

Thought for Reflection

Bright pledge of peace and sunshine! The sure tie
Of thy Lord's hand, the object of His eye!
When I behold thee, though my light be dim,
Distinct, and low, I can in thine see Him
Who looks upon thee from His glorious throne,
And minds the covenant between all and One.
- Henry Vaughan ("The Silurist"),
The Rainbow

O beautiful rainbow;—all woven of light!
There's not in thy tissue one shadow of night;
Heaven surely is open when thou dost appear.
And, bending thee above, the angels draw near,
And sing,— "The rainbow! the rainbow!
The smile of God is here."
- Sarah Josepha (Buell) Hale, *Poems*

Hail, many-colored messenger, that ne'er
Dost disobey the wife of Jupiter;
Who, with thy saffron wings, upon my flowers
Diffusest honey-drops, refreshing showers;
And with each end of thy blue bow dost crown
My bosky acres, and my unshrub'd down,
Rich scarf to my proud earth.
- William Shakespeare



Order of Service

Prelude

Swing Low

arr. Joe Utterback

Greeting and Welcome

Call to Worship

R: Come together, everyone. Bring your stories and sing your songs and share in the Spirit.

C: *Let your hearts paint the sky with a rainbow of promise and hope.*

R: Let your thoughts fill the air and come to life, dancing with wisdom and joy.

C: *Let the silence speak with a thousand voices in tribute to our loving, living God.*

R: And in celebration of our very lives, the priceless gift God has given us.

C: *Alleluia. Alleluia! Amen.*

Hymn To You O God All Creatures Sing

Invocation

Confession of Sin

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

Mighty, gentle God, you call us to new dimensions of hearing your Word, and yet we make ourselves too busy and worried to notice. You offer promises of abundant life and we have been too afraid to believe them. We have worshiped you with our lips but have reserved parts of ourselves for our own purposes and plans. We are bound by our need for absolute certainty and so we often miss your living presence in the surprises of life. Renew us by turning our trust to you again. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria (sung)

*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,*

Psalm 24

The Life and Mission of the Church

Hymn God Reigns O'er All the Earth

The Word

Hebrew Scriptures *From Genesis 7-8*

Reflection

100% CHANCE OF RAIN
Presented by The Eliot Children's Choir

Walter Horsley

The Lord was Unhappy

Now the Lord was unhappy with the people on the earth
They were not what they ought to be and not what they're worth
They were bad and ugly and mean as they could be
And the Lord had to clean things up as you will see.

So the Lord turned the water on and just let it run
And for forty whole days they didn't even see the sun
And the water poured down and made everything clean
And a longer wash day has never been seen.

It's gonna rain rain rain rain rain
It's gonna rain rain rain rain rain
It's gonna rain rain rain rain rain
100% CHANCE OF RAIN

Ten...twenty...thirty..forty..fifty percent chance of rain;
Sixty...seventy...eighty...ninety..one hundred
Percent chance of rain!

At the Sign of the Rainbow

It rained for forty days it did,
It also rained at night
And when the rain slowed down and stopped, the
Sun came into sight
And God gave us his promise, a promise he would keep;
It would never rain again that much, it would never get that deep
God will never flood the world again, and all that he makes grow.
And we shall always know this, at the sign of his rainbow.

Love the Lord

Love the Lord!
For his rainbow and his promise that he loves us and never will he
Flood the world again;
Love the Lord!
For his rainbow and his promise if we serve him he will always love and care for us.
Love the Lord!

Call To Prayer

Find a Stillness

Fay Ballou

*Find a stillness, hold the stillness let the spirit enter in.
Quietly we call unto You, from our hearts our prayers begin.
In the stillness and the silence, God, the Spirit
Moves, surrounds us, offering true harmony.*

Silent Prayer

Prayer Requests

After each request, the worship leader says "For this, let us pray"
and all are invited to respond, "Gracious God, receive our prayers."

Pastoral Prayer (concluding with 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

A Time For Thanksgiving

Offering

Offertory Music

Doxology

His Eye is on the Sparrow

arr. Joe Utterback

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Dedication of Offering

Hymn

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Benediction

Postlude

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

arr. Joe Utterback

**Thank you for reading the Order of Service
for this week's Worship Service.**

Please join us on any Sunday at 10:00 am.

No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here!