



## Worship Service for July 10, 2022

\* Indicates to please stand as you are able in body or heart

**Prelude**

Marshall Davies

**Chiming of the Hour**

John Davis

**\* Praise & Worship Celebration**

Congregation

Sing #76 "There Is Room for All" (sung 3 times)

There is room for all  
 In the shadow of God's wing;  
 There is room for all,  
 Sheltered in God's love.  
 And I rejoice and sing,  
 "My refuge and my rock, in whom I trust."  
 There is room for all,  
 There is room for all.

Sing! # 1 "Perpetual Praise" (whole song sung 2x)  
 Your many blessings are new each morning  
 And with each dawning we sing your praise!  
 From early morning to restful evening  
 Our grateful hearts sing praises!

Your love and mercy, shining bright,  
 Bring home and joy as we follow in Your Light.

You breathe within us. You sing within us.  
 You move our hearts to Perpetual Praise!

Through all of our days, Perpetual Praise!

**Welcome**

Pastor Mak

**Centering Moment**

Pastor Mak

**Call to Worship**

John Davis

LEADER: With our eyes and our spirits

**ALL: we seek you, O God.**

LEADER: With our hearts we reach out

**ALL: to feel your love and life.**

LEADER: In joy or sorrow,

**ALL: with faith we offer our praise.**

**\* Hymn**

Congregation

TNCH # 423 "Great Is Your Faithfulness"

Great is your faithfulness,  
O God, Creator,  
With you no shadow  
Of turning we see.  
You do not change,  
Your compassions they fail not;  
All of your goodness  
Forever will be.

Great is your faithfulness!  
Great is your faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
 All I have needed your hand has provided,  
 Great is your faithfulness, God, unto me!

Summer and winter,  
 And springtime and harvest,  
 Sun, moon, and stars  
 In their courses above,  
 Join with all nature  
 In manifold Witness  
 To Your great faithfulness,  
 Mercy, and love.

Great is your faithfulness!  
 Great is your faithfulness!  
 Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
 All I have needed your hand has provided,  
 Great is your faithfulness, God, unto me!

## **1st Biblical Witness**

John Davis

Esther 9:29 — 10:3

Queen Esther daughter of Abihail, along with the Jew Mordecai, gave full written authority, confirming this second letter about Purim. Letters were sent wishing peace and security to all the Jews, to the one hundred twenty-seven provinces of the kingdom of Ahasuerus, and giving orders that these days of Purim should be observed at their appointed seasons, as the Jew Mordecai and Queen Esther enjoined on the Jews, just as they had laid down for themselves and for their descendants regulations concerning their fasts and their lamentations. The command of Queen

Esther fixed these practices of Purim, and it was recorded in writing.

King Ahasuerus laid tribute on the land and on the islands of the sea. All the acts of his power and might, and the full account of the high honor of Mordecai, to which the king advanced him, are they not written in the annals of the kings of Media and Persia? For Mordecai the Jew was next in rank to King Ahasuerus, and he was powerful among the Jews and popular with his many kindred, for he sought the good of his people and interceded for the welfare of all his descendants.

## **2nd Biblical Witness**

Pastor Mak

### Song of Songs 2:8 — 13

The voice of my beloved!

Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains,  
bounding over the hills.

My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag.

Look, there he stands

behind our wall, gazing in at the windows,  
looking through the lattice.

My beloved speaks and says to me:

“Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away;  
for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone.

The flowers appear on the earth;

the time of singing has come,

and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land.

The fig tree puts forth its figs,

and the vines are in blossom;

they give forth fragrance.

Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

**Reflection**

Pastor Mak

“Because It’s Right”

**Special Music**

Plymouth Choir

“Draw the Circle Wide”

**Pastoral Prayer**

Pastor Mak

**Unison Prayer**

Congregation

**We are holy and beloved by God. Because of this we clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. We bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, we forgive each other; just as forgiveness and grace have been given us.**

**Above all, we clothe ourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. We let Holy peace rule in our hearts, to which we are called in this one community of Christ’s body. As thankful people we share our lives with one another, sing praises, and pray. May the hopes in our hearts and the work we do in ministry add to the love in the world. Blessed be.**

**Invitation to Offering**

John Davis

Plymouth’s General Fund & Loose Offering

“Tomball Emergency Assistance Ministries (T.E.A.M.)”

**Offertory Music**

Marshall Davies

**\* Doxology**

Congregation

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise God all creatures here below  
Praise God for all that Love has done  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit one  
Amen.

**\* Offertory Prayer**

John Davis

based on The Letter of James

LEADER: Every generous act of giving comes from Love.

**ALL: We are doers of our faith and not merely hearers.**

LEADER: There is a religion that is pure and undefiled before God.

**ALL: It is to care for orphans and widows in their distress.**

LEADER: Jesus taught, healed, and fed the crowds.

**ALL: He blessed their bodies and their spirits.**

LEADER: Together we seek to do the same.

**ALL: O God, bless these gifts to make a difference to people in need. Amen.**

**\* Hymn**

Congregation

TNCH # 495 "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

Called as partners in Christ's service,  
Called to ministries of grace,

We respond with deep commitment  
Fresh new lines of faith to trace.  
May we learn the art of sharing,  
Side by side and friend with friend,  
Equal partners in our caring  
To fulfill God's chosen end.

Christ's example, Christ's inspiring,  
Christ's clear call to work and worth,  
Let us follow, never faltering,  
Reconciling folk on earth.  
Men and women, richer, poorer,  
All God's people, young and old,  
Blending human skills together  
Gracious gifts from God unfold.

Thus new patterns for Christ's mission,  
In a small or global sense,  
Help us bear each other's burdens,  
Breaking down each wall or fence.  
Words of comfort, words of vision,  
Words of challenge, said with care,  
Bring new power and strength for action,  
Make us colleagues, free and fair.

So God grant us for tomorrow  
Ways to order human life  
That surround each person's sorrow  
With a calm that conquers strife.  
Make us partners in our living,  
Our compassion to increase,

Messengers of faith, thus giving  
Hope and confidence and peace.

**Benediction**

Pastor Mak

**Song Of Parting**

Congregation

Sing! #187 “Lord Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary”

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary  
Pure and holy, tried and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for You.

God, empower me to be a witness for you,  
Acting boldly, in your name;  
Seeking justice, where there is hurting  
Offering hope where there is pain.

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary  
Pure and holy, tried and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for You.

**Postlude**

Marshall Davies