

# WEST BERLIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Established 1876

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**Proper 8**

**June 28, 2026**

**GATHERING TIME** (10:15 – 10:30 AM) Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6145951009>

Dial 929 436 2866 or 312 626 6799 Meeting ID: 614 595 1009

## WELCOME & PRELUDE

God is Good. **All the time.** & All the time. **God is good.**

## CALL TO WORSHIP

L: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, **P: and proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.**

L: Your steadfast love endures forever. **P: Your faithfulness is as high as the heavens.**

L: Happy are those who sing your praise **P: and extol your righteousness all the day.**

## CALL TO CONFESSION

How costly is our broken relationship with God! The price of sin is a spiritless life, which is no life at all. Where are joy, peace, or lasting love to be found, except in the One who creates peace and joy, who sent Jesus Christ, the beloved Son, to save us from our sin? Let us confess, repent, and trust God to forgive us our sin.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, on lonely Mount Moriah you put your servant Abraham to the test. We confess that we have failed much lesser tests of our faith. We have allowed sin to run our lives, to shape how we act toward others, and to kill our relationship with you. In your great mercy, forgive us. Change even our bodies from implements of destruction to instruments of your peace; for the sake of the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

God, whose name is I am, provides for our weakness. Jesus Christ, I am in the body, gave himself for our salvation. All who are united to Christ in his death are united to Christ in his resurrection. The end is eternal life. I declare to you, in Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven.

## CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“Gloria Patri”

No. 9

**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, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & FIRST READING

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 God's Covenant with David

<sup>1</sup> I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations. <sup>2</sup> I declare that your steadfast love is established forever; your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. <sup>3</sup> You said, “I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David: <sup>4</sup> ‘I will establish your descendants forever and build your throne for all generations.’ ” <sup>15</sup> Happy are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance; <sup>16</sup> they exult in your name all day long and extol your righteousness. <sup>17</sup> For you are the glory of their strength; by your favor our horn is exalted. <sup>18</sup> For our shield belongs to the Lord, our king to the Holy One of Israel.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**YOUTH MESSAGE**

Who's Your Boss?

**SPECIAL MUSIC****SECOND READING**

Romans 6:12-23

<sup>12</sup> Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies, so that you obey their desires. <sup>13</sup> No longer present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. <sup>14</sup> For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

**Slaves of Righteousness**

<sup>15</sup> What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup> Do you not know that, if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup> But thanks be to God that you who were slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted <sup>18</sup> and that you, having been set free from sin, have become enslaved to righteousness. <sup>19</sup> I am speaking in human terms because of your limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, leading to even more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, leading to sanctification.

<sup>20</sup> When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup> So what fruit did you then gain from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup> But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the fruit you have leads to sanctification, and the end is eternal life. <sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

**SERMON**

"Whose Are You, Whom Do You Serve"

**HYMN**

"O Master Let Me Walk with Thee"

No. 552

(See attached)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS - JOYS & CONCERNS – PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – 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 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.**

**CALL TO OFFERING –DOXOLOGY-PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**HYMN**

"Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated"

No. 455

(See attached)

**CHARGE, BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE**

**May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.**

**Grant you joy, perfect peace, strength in every endeavor.**

**Lift your eyes and see his face, feel his grace forever.**

**May the Lord mighty God bless and keep you forever.**

# O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee 552

Whoever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did. 1 John 2:6

1. O Mas - ter, let me walk with Thee In low - ly  
2. Help me the slow of heart to move By some clear,  
3. Teach me Thy pa - tience! still with Thee In clos - er,  
4. In hope that sends a shin - ing ray Far down the

paths of ser - vice free. Tell me Thy se - cret;  
win - ning word of love. Teach me the way - ward  
dear - er com - pa - ny, In work that keeps faith  
fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, In peace that on - ly

help me bear The strain of toil, the fret of care.  
feet to stay, And guide them in the home - ward way.  
sweet and strong, In trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong;  
Thou canst give, With Thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

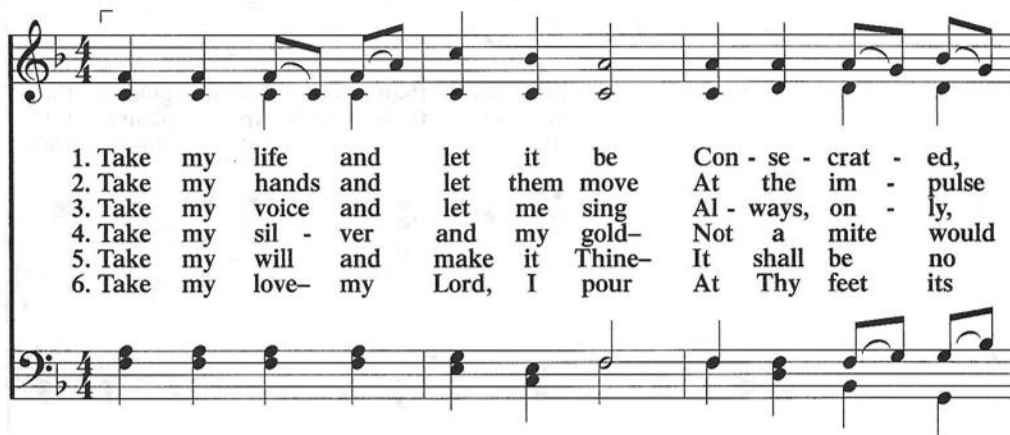
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MUSIC: H. Percy Smith, 1874

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# Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated

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*You were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.*  
1 Corinthians 6:20



1. Take my life and let it be Con - se - crat - ed,  
2. Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse  
3. Take my voice and let me sing Al - ways, on - ly,  
4. Take my sil - ver and my gold - Not a mite would  
5. Take my will and make it Thine - It shall be no  
6. Take my love - my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its



Lord, to Thee. Take my mo - ments and my days - Let them  
of Thy love. Take my feet and let them be Swift and  
for my King. Take my lips and let them be Filled with  
I with - hold. Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry  
long - er mine. Take my heart - it is Thine own; It shall  
treasure store. Take my - self - and I will be Ev - er,



flow in cease - less praise; Let them flow in cease - less praise.  
beau - ti - ful for Thee, Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.  
mes - sag - es from Thee, Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.  
pow'r as Thou shalt choose, Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.  
be Thy roy - al throne; It shall be Thy roy - al throne.  
on - ly, all for Thee, Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee.

WORDS: Frances R. Havergal, 1874  
MUSIC: Henri A. Cesar Malan, 1827

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