

The Holy Way Presbyterian Church



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July 23, 2023 9:30am

**Sermon Series
God Uses Unlikely People for Good...**

**Welcome to Worship:
Announcements
Opening Prayer**

Rev . Tina Salvaneschi

**Call To Worship:
Psalm 30**

Sherry Wittenberg

I will extol You, O Lord, for You have lifted me up,
And have not let my foes rejoice over me.

2 O Lord my God, I cried out to You,
And You healed me.

3 O Lord, You brought my soul up from the grave;
You have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

4 Sing praise to the Lord, you saints of His,
And give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name.

5 For His anger *is but for* a moment,
His favor *is for* life;
Weeping may endure for a night,
But joy *comes* in the morning.

11 You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
You have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,
12 To the end that *my* glory may sing praise to You and not be silent.
O Lord my God, I will give thanks to You forever. **AMEN!**

Opening Hymn: *All Creatures of Our God and King* (Hymn 15)
Bill Boals

**Birthday's and Anniversaries
Sing Happy Birthday/Anniversary**

Stephen Levine
Bill Boals

If you want to participate in our tradition of celebrating your birthday or anniversary by giving money towards church building, renovation, improvement, sound systems, just waive your hand, or stand up and Pastor Tina will receive it in the basket!

Celebrations, Joys and Concerns

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi
The People of the Congregation Share Joys and Concerns
(Someone will bring the microphone around)

...The Lord's Prayer

People: 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

Anthem: *Praise You Lord Oh My Soul* Ensemble

Tithes and Offering: Prayer Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

(Option: Place you index card with a private prayer for Pastor)
(Option: write on index card a word or two what giving to God means to you place index cards in plate)

Offertory Music: Dr. Astrid Chan

Doxology: (*Hymn #606*) Congregation
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Scripture Reading: Lay Leader Sherry Wittenberg
Esther 9:20-28

20 And Mordecai wrote these things and sent letters to all the Jews, near and far, who *were* in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, **21** to establish among them that they should celebrate yearly the fourteenth and fifteenth days of the month of Adar, **22** as the days on which the Jews had rest from their enemies, as the month which was turned from sorrow to joy for them, and from mourning to a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and joy, of sending presents to one another and gifts to the poor.

23 So the Jews accepted the custom which they had begun, as Mordecai had written to them, **24** because Haman, the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, the enemy of all the Jews, had plotted against the Jews to annihilate them, and had cast Pur (that *is*, the lot), to consume them and destroy them;

25 but when *Esther* came before the king, he commanded by letter that this wicked plot which *Haman* had devised against the Jews should return on his own head, and that he and his sons should be hanged on the gallows.

26 So they called these days Purim, after the name Pur. Therefore, because of all the words of this letter, what they had seen concerning this matter, and what had happened to them, **27** the Jews established and imposed it upon themselves and their descendants and all who would join them, that without fail they should celebrate these two days every year, according to the written *instructions* and according to the *prescribed* time, **28** *that these days should be* remembered and kept throughout every generation, every family, every province, and every city, that these days of Purim should not fail *to be observed* among the Jews, and *that* the memory of them should not perish among their descendants.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be To God.**

Message: *“Celebration of Purim”*

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

Sending Hymn: *All with Joyful Exultation (Hymn 798)*

Bill Boals

Benediction:

Rev. Tina Salvaneschi

Song: *Let There Be Peace On Earth*

Congregation

Postlude:

Dr. Astrid Chan

Following Service this Morning. Please join us for coffee

And refreshments in the Ranch House

Please see Bill Boals with questions

Stay Connected During the Week!

“SERMON DEBRIEF BIBLE STUDY”

Tuesday 10:00am!

Come and meet live in the Ranch House at 10:00am.

This is a great way to get to Fellowship, wrestle with questions about Sunday’s sermon, ponder the meaning of God’s Word, and discover how Scriptures can transform our lives today. This is led by Pastor Tina and is interactive and often there are donuts! Come join the live class if you are able!

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me

Let there be peace on earth

The peace that was meant to be

With God as our father

Christians all are we

Let us walk with each other

In perfect harmony

Let peace begin with me

Let this be the moment now

With every step I take

Let this be my solemn vow

To take each moment

And live each moment

In peace eternally

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me