



# Service for the Lord's Day

17th Sunday after Pentecost  
September 27th, 2020

Westminster Presbyterian Church  
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## Preparing to Hear God's Word

Prelude *Aus tiefer Not (Out of the Depths)* J. S. Bach

Welcome

A Moment for Fellowship

Opening Prayer

Hymn **Great Is Thy Faithfulness** FAITHFULNESS

## God's Word to Us

Old Testament Lamentations 3:19-33

Psalter Psalm 130

New Testament Romans 8:31-39

Sermon Out of the Depths Dr. Frances Taylor Gench

## Sending Us Out

Prayers of the People including *There Is a Longing in Our Hearts* by Anne Quigley

The Lord's Prayer

Charge and Benediction

Postlude *Canzona quarta* Girolamo Frescobaldi

## 39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 \*Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.  
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.  
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

\*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22–23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!  
오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.  
날 마 다 자 비 를 베풀 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.  
일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!  
오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL  
PRAYER

Gentle me,  
Holy One,  
into an unclenched moment,  
a deep breath,  
a letting go  
of heavy experiences,  
of shriveling anxieties,  
of dead certainties,  
that, softened by the silence,  
surrounded by the light,  
and open to the mystery,  
I may be found by wholeness,  
upheld by the unfathomable,  
entranced by the simple,  
and filled with the joy  
that is you.

- Ted Loder

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