



Sunday, February 7, 2021

Welcome!

We are thankful that you are worshiping with us today! To learn more about the life of our congregation, join our email list [here](#).

Here are some helpful resources for our younger worshippers:

[This Week's Children's Bulletin](#) | [Worship Worksheet for Kids](#)

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 A.M.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

INTROIT

God is My Strong Salvation

The Sacred Harp, 1844

*CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 147

Praise the Lord!

How good it is to sing praises to our God;

For he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

The Lord lifts up the downtrodden.

The Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,

In those who hope in his steadfast love.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving, make melody to our God.

Praise the Lord!

*OPENING PRAYER

Everlasting God, we come to praise you today for your steadfast love. In this time of struggle help us to renew our strength. Help us to mount up with wings as eagles. Help us to run and not be weary, to walk and not faint. **Amen.**

*HYMN 356

Sing Praise to God, Whose Mighty Acts

SALVATION

1. Sing praise to God, whose mighty acts still strong in memory stand
To give us hope when evil seems to gain the upper hand.
Give thanks for deeds of steadfast love, for wonders new and old:
For fire and cloud, for daily food, for mercies yet untold.

2. Though monuments of evil rise in marble, gilt, and stone,
Time's search will find their boasts untrue, their maker's names unknown.
Mute avenues of ruins will mark where once proud cities stood,
But from destruction God will save the faithful, just, and good.

3. Rise up, O god, reclaim the power usurped by mortal pride;
Deflate the hollow pomp of those whom rank and titles hide.
Let not the needy cry unheard, the suffering hope in vain;
Restore the fallen, bless the meek, till peace and justice reign.

Music from *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Leader: May God be with you in worship there.

Congregation: **May God be with you in worship there.**

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

We know that we all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Let us confess our shortcomings to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You have shown us, O God, what it means to follow you.
Forgive us when we fail; open our hearts and minds to your teachings.
You modeled compassion in the person of Jesus Christ,
but we often do not extend that compassion to others.
You challenge systems of injustice through the movement of your spirit,
but we often choose comfort over justice, the status quo over the kingdom of God.
Forgive us, O God. Pour your compassion on us this day, and by your forgiveness,
show us how to share it with one another.**

SUNG RESPONSE (Hymn 415)

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

RESTORATION

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power.
I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace me in his arms.
In the arms of my dear savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Southern Harmony, 1835

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

Remember your baptism and be thankful!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI

GREATOR EX

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.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since we have been reconciled to God, let us also be reconciled to one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

*SUNG RESPONSE (Hymn 214)

MORNING SONG

You are my refuge, faithful God, you shelter me from shame.
I put my spirit in your hands and call upon your name.

And yet I trust in you, O God, your covenant still stands.
Redeem me, in your faithful love, my life is in your hands.

Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, 1813

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, we look to you for wisdom and for strength. Help us listen for your word
this morning **Amen.**

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

Mark 1: 29-39

The Gospel of the Lord. **May Jesus Christ be praised.**

Isaiah 40: 21-31

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

SERMON

Dennis Jewett

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Brief Statement of Faith – Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God

makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

Come Thou Fount

arr. Eric Nelson

Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, 1813

*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

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 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of everlasting love, as you gather us again at this table, we thank you for reminding us that no matter how we walk away from you that you will never walk away from us. Amen.

THE SENDING

*HYMN 463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

1. How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent word.
What more can be said than to you God hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

2. Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid.
I'll strengthen thee help thee and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.
3. When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow will not overflow;
For I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.
4. When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all-sufficient shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee, I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.
5. The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

Funk's *Genuine Church Music*, 1832

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

**Rise in body or spirit*

LEADING OUR WORSHIP TODAY

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