



# Order of Worship

July 18, 2021

10:00 a.m. Service

**Prelude**

*Prelude on "Germany"*

*Birchwood*

**Introit**

*O Worship the King*

*Haydn/Grant*

**Call to Worship**

**\*Hymn #464**

**Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the gloom of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.
2. All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in Thee.
3. Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began;  
Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan.  
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife,  
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

**\*Call to Confession**

**\*Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, you call, but we do not always listen. Focused on our own concerns, we often turn our backs and walk away from others in need. God of grace, help us to admit that we are broken and to turn to you through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

**\*Silent Prayer of Confession**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

Friends, believe the Good News.  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**\*Congregational Response**

*Gloria Patri*

**Welcome and Announcements**

## Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

**Offertory**

*In Deep Humility I Pray*

*Smith*

**\*Hymn #592**

*The Doxology*

**\*Prayer of Commitment and 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.**

**\*Choral Response**

**Anthem**

*None Like You*

*Courtney*

**Scripture Reading**

**Acts 4:13-22**

<sup>13</sup> Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus. <sup>14</sup> But seeing the man who was healed standing beside them, they had nothing to say in opposition. <sup>15</sup> But when they had commanded them to leave the council, they conferred with one another, <sup>16</sup> saying, "What shall we do with these men? For that a notable sign has been performed through them is evident to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it. <sup>17</sup> But in order that it may spread no further among the people, let us warn them to speak no more to anyone in this name." <sup>18</sup> So they called them and charged them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus.

<sup>19</sup> But Peter and John answered them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you rather than to God, you must judge, <sup>20</sup> for we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard."

<sup>21</sup> And when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way to punish them, because of the people, for all were praising God for what had happened. <sup>22</sup> For the man on whom this sign of healing was performed was more than forty years old.

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

## Children's Time

**\*Hymn**

**Jesus Loves Me!**

1. Jesus loves me! this I know, for the Bible tells me so;  
little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.

Refrain:

Yes, Jesus loves me,  
yes, Jesus loves me,  
yes, Jesus loves me,  
the Bible tells me so.

2. Jesus loves me! this I know, as he loved so long ago,  
taking children on His knee, saying, "Let them come to Me." (Refrain)

3. Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way,  
wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live. (Refrain)

## Scripture Reading

Isaiah 40:25-31

<sup>25</sup> To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. <sup>26</sup> Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name; by the greatness of his might and because he is strong in power, not one is missing.

<sup>27</sup> Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"?

<sup>28</sup> Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. <sup>29</sup> He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. <sup>30</sup> Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; <sup>31</sup> but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

## Sermon

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

### Finding Strength

*"He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength."* (Isaiah 40:29)

## Prayers of the People

### \*Hymn #280

### Amazing Grace

1. Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
Was blind, but now I see.
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed!
3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come;  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.

### \*Charge and Benediction

### \*Closing Response

5. When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.

### \*Postlude

*To God Be the Glory*

*Parker*

\*Please stand if able.

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