



# Order of Worship

August 30, 2020

10:00 a.m. Service

**During this time of social distancing, we ask that all singing and responsive reading be done from behind a mask.  
Thank you for doing your part to keep yourself and others safe during the pandemic.**

**Prelude**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

**Introit**

*The Voice of God*

*Larson, Lloyd*

**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**

**God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.**

**\*Silent Prayer of Confession**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.  
All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**\*Congregational Response**

*Gloria Patri*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Anthem**

*God So Loved the World*

*Stainer*

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

*Jesus Shall Reign*

*Ingram*

**\*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**

**Children's Time**

**Scripture Reading**

**Matthew 6:5-8**

<sup>5</sup> "And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. <sup>6</sup> But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>7</sup> "And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. <sup>8</sup> Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Scripture Reading**

**1 Kings 18:36-39**

<sup>36</sup> And at the time of the offering of the oblation, Elijah the prophet came near and said, "O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, and that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your word. <sup>37</sup> Answer me, O Lord, answer me, that this people may know that you, O Lord, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back."

<sup>38</sup> Then the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt offering and the wood and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench.

<sup>39</sup> And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The Lord, he is God; the Lord, he is God."

**Sermon**

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

**The Power of Words**

*"Then the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt offering and the wood and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench." (1 Kings 18:39)*

**\*Prayers of the People**

**\*Hymn #263**

**Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise**

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.
2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
3. To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;  
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,  
Then wither and perish; but naught changeth Thee.
4. Thou reignest in glory, Thou rulest in light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All praise we would render; O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Closing Response**

1. God be with you till we meet again, by His counsels guide, uphold you,  
With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.

**\*Postlude**

*Alleluia, Sing to Jesus*

*Hyfrydol*

**God Be with You Till We Meet Again**

\*Please stand if able.

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