



Order of Worship

October 25, 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

Before the Throne of God Above

Introit

Lord, We Come to Worship You

Folts

Call to Worship

***Hymn #138**

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

1. O worship the King, all glorious above! O gratefully sing God's power and God's love;
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.
2. O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
The chariots of heaven the deep thunderclouds form, and bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.
3. The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, Thy power hath founded of old;
Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree, and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.
5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, you call us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. But we are unfaithful to you. Forgive our doubting minds and disobeying hearts. Transform us by the mercy of your forgiveness, that we may honor you with all that we have and with all that we are. In Christ's name, we pray.

***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

Minute for Mission

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Andante amabile

Telemann

Laurel McLeland – oboe, Jim McLeland – piano

***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

When the Poor Ones

Olivar/Cherwien

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 5:1-4

¹ Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. ² He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

³ And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴ What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Time

***Hymn #335**

Though I May Speak

1. Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain;
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.
2. Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.
3. Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship and are freed.

Scripture Reading

John 15:1-11

¹ I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ² Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³ Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you.

⁴ Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷ If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

⁹ As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

A Season of Gratitude: The Vine and the Branches

"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love." (John 15:9)

*Prayers of the People

*Hymn #417

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

1. Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever, and our confidence alone.
2. To this temple, where we call You, come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
With Your wonted loving-kindness hear Your people as they pray,
And Your fullest benediction shed within its walls away.
3. Here bestow on all Your servants what they ask of You to gain,
What they gain from You forever with the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in Your glory evermore with You to reign.
4. Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one;
One in might and one in glory while unending ages run.

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Response

Surely the Presence

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angels wings.
I see glory on each face.
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

*Postlude

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

*Please stand if able.

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