



Welcome

Order of Worship

November 22, 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

Herzlich tut mich erfreuen

Brahms

Introit

Sing to the Lord!

Folts

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Call to Worship

***Hymn #551**

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

1. Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home:
All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied:
Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.
2. All the world is God's own field, fruit unto God's praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown;
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear:
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.
3. For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the harvest home;
From each field shall in that day all offenses purge away;
Give the angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
But the fruitful ears to store in God's garner evermore.
4. Even so, Lord, quickly come to Thy final harvest home;
Gather Thou Thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;
There forever purified, in Thy presence to abide:
Come, with all Thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

God of Grace, whose mercy is fresh each morning: we confess to you our sin. We do not obey your commands and our sin is always with us. Forgive the doubt that misleads us and the despair that diminishes us. In your mercy cleanse us and help us to live joyful and obedient lives. In Christ's name we pray.

***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

The Solid Rock

Bradbury

*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

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Friedell

Scripture Reading

Psalm 147:1-11

¹ Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting. ² The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. ³ He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. ⁴ He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names. ⁵ Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure. ⁶ The LORD lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.

⁷ Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!⁸ He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass grow on the hills. ⁹ He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry. ¹⁰ His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man, ¹¹ but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Time

*Hymn #339

Be Thou My Vision

1. Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; nought be all else to me, save that Thou art--
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
2. Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.
3. Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 9:35-38

³⁵ And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction.

³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Sermon

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

Songs of the Season Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

"Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.'" (Matthew 9:37-38)

*Prayers of the People

*Hymn #555

Now Thank We All Our God

1. Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.
3. All praise and thanks to God, Who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given.
The one eternal God, Whom heaven and earth adore,
The God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Response

He Lives

He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.

*Postlude

Rejoice, Rejoice, this Happy Morn

Paul Taylor

*Please stand if able.

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