



SERVICE FOR THE  
LORD'S DAY  
APRIL 26, 2020  
11:00AM

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND INVITATION

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

All: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

OPENING VOLUNTARY

*This Little Light of Mine*

arr. Brent Oldstad

*During the Opening Voluntary, we invite you into a period of quiet reflection.*

*Living God,  
through Jesus Christ you emptied the power of death  
and gave me the gift of life in fullness.  
Now fill me with the breath of your Spirit  
to tell the good news of the gospel:  
Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.  
Amen.*

INTROIT

*In Christ There is No East or West*

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CALL TO WORSHIP

One: To those who are wandering without direction,

All: **Jesus is the Good Shepherd.**

One: To those who need a source of strength,

All: **Jesus is the true vine.**

One: To those who see no light at the end of the tunnel,

All: **Jesus is the light of the world.**

One: To those who would be builders of God's Kingdom,

All: **Jesus is the chief cornerstone.**

One: Come and lay a foundational stone in your life!

All: **Let us worship God together.**

*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.*

*To this temple, where we call you, come, O Lord of hosts, and stay;  
come, with all your loving-kindness; hear your people as we pray,  
and your fullest benediction shed within these walls today.*

*Here bestow on all your servants what they seek from you to gain;  
what they gain from you, forever with the blessed to retain;  
and hereafter in your glory evermore with you to reign.*

*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!*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

O God,  
like the foolish one who built his house on sand,  
we have seen everything come tumbling down around us.  
We have failed to lay a sure foundation with Christ as the cornerstone of our lives.  
Help us to build anew on Christ the solid rock.  
Then when the storms come and the winds blow,  
we will be able to stand firm in our faith...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
All: **Thanks be to God!**

RESPONSE

HYMN 353, VERSES 1 & 2

SOLID ROCK

*My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.*  
*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.*  
*When darkness seems to hide his face,  
I rest on his unchanging grace;  
in every high and stormy gale,  
my anchor holds within the veil.*  
*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.  
All: **And also with you.**

# PROCLAIMING THE WORD

## THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

SUNG PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION     *Where Charity and Love Prevail*

TWENTY-FOURTH

## SCRIPTURE READING

1 Peter 2:2-10

One:     The Word of the Lord.

All:     **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

*How Strong is Your House?*

Rev. Joanne R. Hull

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;  
    who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,  
    suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
    from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;  
    the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
    the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP: STEWARDSHIP

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## OFFERTORY

*Locus iste*

Anton Bruckner

*"Consecrate this church to the Lord; may it be blameless, without fault, forever."*

## DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God for all the Lord has done.  
Praise Him, for He has overcome.  
The grave is beaten. Love has won.  
Praise God, the Spirit, Christ the Son. Amen.*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

## BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

### HYMN 463

*How Firm a Foundation*  
(words below; hymn printed at end of bulletin)

FOUNDATION

*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?*

*"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.*

*"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.*

*"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.*

*"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."*

## CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### BENEDICTION RESPONSE

HYMN 306, VERSE 1

DENNIS

*Blest be the tie that binds  
our hearts in Christian love.  
The fellowship of kindred minds  
is like to that above.*

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*In Thee is Gladness*

JS Bach

## PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. Joanne R. Hull  
Dr. Thomas E. Evans  
Rev. Leslie A. Lang

Holt Andrews, Director  
Marcia Andrews, Organist

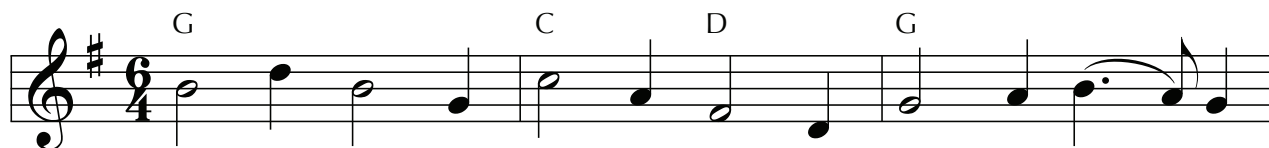
Additional Musicians:  
Janet Kuntz and Leslie Lang, flute

Valerie MacPhail  
Lisa Cunningham  
Reel Robertson  
Paul MacPhail

### *Today's Memorial:*

*Elizabeth Chapman Quantz McMeekin  
by Sarah, Tom, and Thomas McMeekin.*

# Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation 394



1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and  
 2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O Lord of  
 3 Here be - stow on all your ser - vants what they seek from  
 4 Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, laud and hon - or



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,  
 hosts, and stay; come, with all your lov - ing - kind - ness;  
 you to gain; what they gain from you, for - ev - er  
 to the Son, laud and hon - or to the Spir - it,



bind - ing all the church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's  
 hear your peo - ple as we pray, and your full - est  
 with the bless - ed to re - tain; and here - af - ter  
 ev - er three and ev - er one: one in might and



help for - ev - er, and our con - fi - dence a - lone.  
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in these walls to - day.  
 in your glo - ry ev - er - more with you to reign.  
 one in glo - ry while un - end - ing a - ges run!

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## How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,  
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!  
 for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
 the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;  
 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;  
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,  
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 for I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.  
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."