

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY AUGUST 23, 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

Adagio in E

Frank Bridge

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

God of mercy, grant that the Word you speak this day may take root in my heart and bear fruit to your honor and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INTROIT Rejoice in the Lord Always anon. 16th century

## CALL TO WORSHIP

One: When forces in the world threaten us,

All: when our bodies or spirits turn against us,

One: there is One who seeks us,

All: One who meets us,
One: One who heals us,

All: whose love washes over us
One: and sets us free for joy.
All: This One is the Lord.
One: Come, let us worship God.

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven (words below; hymn printed at end of bulletin)

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress; praise him still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Fatherlike, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Widely yet his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so our souls long for you, O God.

When we are parched and weak, fill us with the waters of your grace.

When we are starving and stumbling, feed us with the bread of life.

You call us to be your servants, but we have wandered away from your call.

Forgive us, God of life, and fill us with your love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ...

## Assurance of Pardon

SILENT CONFESSION

One: Sisters and brothers in Christ, let us proclaim the Good News:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

One: And we are not only forgiven, we are also freed.

All: Thanks be to God!

Response Hymn 581

HYMN 581 GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

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 FOR ILLUMINATION Be Still, My Soul

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SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 5:1-20

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Sitting There in [Your] Right Mind

Dr. Thomas E. Evans

## 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

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

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GALILEE

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God above, Ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### 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 720

Jesus Calls Us (words below; hymn printed at end of bulletin)

Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea; day by day his sweet voice soundeth saying, "Christian, follow me."

Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store, from each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thy obedience, serve and love thee best of all.

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Postlude on "Lauda Anima"

Robert J. Powell

## PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Dr. Thomas E. Evans Rev. Joanne R. Hull Rev. Leslie A. Lang Mrs. Holly M. Bannan

Holt Andrews, Director Marcia Andrews, Organist

### **Additional Musicians**

Valerie MacPhail Lisa Cunningham Reel Robertson Paul MacPhail Rafe Andrews

# **Today's Floral Memorial:**

In loving memory of Samuel B. Shackelford, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Joy Glenn by the family.

# 620 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven



This free paraphrase of Psalm 103 gains much energy and conviction by including the double "Alleluia!" before the final line of text. That repeated four-note figure descending from the tune's highest note gives voice to the praise that the rest of the hymn evokes.



Like many hymns that adults have come to cherish, this text based on Jesus' calling of the disciple Andrew was written for a 19th-century collection of hymns for children. The popular tune used here was composed for these words more than a quarter of a century later.

TEXT: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1852 MUSIC: William H. Jude, 1887 GALILEE 8.7.8.7