

Wintergarden Presbyterian Church



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Prelude

“Invocation”

Henry Kihlken

Welcome

Wintergarden Life

Our Liturgist today is Jeanne Keyser

Pass the Peace of Christ

*Gathering Song (#485)

“To God Be the Glory”

vs1

To God be the glory, great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory: great things He hath done!

Call to Worship

Psalm 147

Leader: It is good to sing praises to our God. God is gracious and a song of praise is fitting.

People: Great is the Lord, and abundant in power, whose understanding is beyond measure.

Leader: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God with the lyre.

People: You take pleasure in those who fear you and hope in your steadfast love.

Leader: Let us worship God!

Prayer of Adoration

Great God of the universe, you set the stars on course in the heavens; the earth radiates your glory and honor; the rain never falls without your knowing it. The fields produce their harvest according to your design. We admire the strength by which you rule the nations. We bow down in adoration at how you care for your children. We gather gladly to herald your encompassing acts of goodwill. Hear us as we respond by giving you praise.

Hymn (#464)

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” vs

1&3

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.

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.

***Prayer of Confession** [Unison]

O God, you heal the brokenhearted; save us from sin when we inflict pain on our neighbors. We bear grudges against those who deceive us. We seek revenge on those who hurt us. Some we judge inferior, since they don't meet our standards. Others we deem unworthy of our respect and support. Jesus had compassion upon all who were afflicted. Forgive us, O God, when our hearts are hardened against neighbors in need.

***Silent Confession**

*** Assurance of Forgiveness**

The assurance of our pardon resides in Christ, "who, though he was in the form of God . . . emptied himself, taking the form of a slave." Today, he intercedes on behalf of human weakness before the great throne of God. Therefore, let every knee bow, and let every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. Therein lies our assurance that we are forgiven!

***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.

Words with Young Worshipers

Prayers of the People

Hymn (#513)

"Let Us Break Bread

Together"

1. Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.
2. Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

3. Let us praise God together on our knees;
Let us praise God together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees,
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

First Reading

Isaiah 40:21-31(NRSV)

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, 'My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God'? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Second Reading

Mark 1:29-39(NRSV)

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, 'Everyone is searching for you.' He answered, 'Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.' And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD!

The Message

Omerod

Rev. David

Pastoral Prayer

***Affirmation of Faith** [Unison]

The Nicene Creed

WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from True God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from Heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His Kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the Resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **AMEN.**

Invitation to Offering

Choral Offertory

Light”

Walk As Children of

***Doxology** [Unison]

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise Him all creatures, here below!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host! Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! **Amen.***

***Prayer of Dedication**

You are worthy, O God, of more honor than mere humans can hope to bestow on you. You are God of all creation, and the source of all goodness. We dare to approach you with our gifts of thanksgiving. Receive them as symbols of our wholehearted praise. Transform what we bring you to harmonize with your wishes, and convert all our actions to accord with your will.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving [Responsive]

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise...

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.**

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Praise

Hymn (#466)

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of God's grace!
2. Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.
3. Christ breaks the power of reigning sin,
And sets the prisoner free;
Christ's blood can make the sinful clean,
Christ's blood availed for me.
4. My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name.

***Benediction**

***The Benediction Response (#539)**

“Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise”

vs2

Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way;
With Thee began, with Thee shall end the day.
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,

That in this house have called upon Thy name.

Postlude

“Praise Unending”
Steven Scott



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