



February 28, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Gathering and Welcome

Rev. Todd Smith

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Voluntary

Father, I Adore You
by Terrye Coehlo Storm

Lynda McRee & Joe Ostrowski

Call to Worship

Lynda McRee

Leader: Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity,
People: **in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

Hymn # 85

What Wondrous Love is This

Prayer of Confession and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Todd Smith

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the World who taught us to pray. . .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 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.

(Silent prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri



Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; As it



was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be, world without end. A-men, A-men.

The Apostles' Creed

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; on 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.

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Children's Lesson

Chrissie Galliher

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson

Psalm 121

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills—
from where will my help come?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.
- 4 He who keeps Israel

will neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The Lord is your keeper;
the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

6 The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.

7 The Lord will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.

8 The Lord will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time on and forevermore.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Lesson

John 3:1-17

3 Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. 2 He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” 3 Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” 4 Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” 5 Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. 6 What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ 8 The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” 9 Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” 10 Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

11 “Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. 12 If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? 13 No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. 14 And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15 that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

16 “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

17 “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

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Postlude

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)
By Jonas Myrin & Matt Redman

Lynda McRee & Joe Ostrowski

Voluntary

FATHER, I ADORE YOU
By Terrye Coehlo Storm

Congregation is invited to sing.

Father, I adore you,
Lay my life before you;
How I love you.

Jesus, I adore you,
Lay my life before you;
How I love you.

Spirit, I adore you,
Lay my life before you;
How I love you.

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE 12.9.12.9

Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835
Harm. *Cantate Domino*, 1980

American folk hymn, c. 1811

1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
2. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,

What won - drous love is this, O my soul!
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;

What won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful be,

To bear the *heav - y cross for my soul, for my soul,
 While mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;
 And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing on,

To bear the *heav - y cross for my soul!
 While mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!
 And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on!

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Breathe on Me, Breath of God 316

Edwin Hatch, 1886

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Robert Jackson, 1894

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life a - new,
 2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Un - til my heart is pure,
 3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am whol - ly Thine,
 4. Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I nev - er die,

That I may love what Thou dost love, And do what Thou wouldst do.
 Un - til with Thee I will one will, To do and to en - dure.
 Un - til this earth - ly part of me Glows with Thy fire di - vine.
 But live with Thee the per - fect life Of Thine e - ter - ni - ty.*

IN CHRIST ALONE

By Stuart Townend and Keith Getty

In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Corner stone,
This solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love,
What depths of peace
When fears are stilled,
When strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All;
Here in the love of Christ I stand

No guilt in life,
No fear in death;
This is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny.

No power of hell,
No scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from his hand.
'Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Lift High the Cross

George William Kitchin (1827-1912)
 Rev. by Michael Robert Newbolt, 1916; alt.
Refrain and Descant

CRUCIFER 10.10 with refrain
 Sidney Hugo Nicholson, 1916
 Desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Till all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.

Till all the world a - dore His sa - cred name. *Fine*

1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,
 2. Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
 3. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 4. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Repeat Refrain

The Lamb vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 Bears on the brow the seal of Christ who died.
 Your death has brought us life e - ter - nal - ly.
 Praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)

By Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul,
Worship His Holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul!
I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning.
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul,
Worship His Holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul!
I'll worship Your holy name.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind.
For all your goodness I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul,
Worship His Holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul!
I'll worship Your holy name.

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul,
Worship His Holy name.

Sing like never before, O my soul!
I'll worship Your holy name.

Lord, I'll worship Your holy name.

Please note the new church officers below for 2021. The Annual Report is still being prepared; once it is finished, I will be able to update you with the list of officers in its entirety. Thank you for your patience as we work through this process.

Church Leadership 2021

Elders: Ruth Walker, Polly Winskowski
Deacons: Lynda McRee, Gail Lowe, Laurie Faulkner, Sue Hinkley
Trustees: Dave Hinkley, Brian Calary, Bruce Mattheis, John Cairnes
Congregation-at-Large: John Cairnes, Nancy Berigtold, Debbie Calary

Staff

Pastor/Moderator: The Rev. Todd D. Smith
Music Director/Organist: Kirsten Fitzsimmons
Children's Youth & Family Program Coordinator: Chrissie Galliher
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