

# Worship Bulletin

## Sunday, August 2, 2020

### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### GATHERING PRAYER

Candace Sass

#### PRELUDE

"When Peace Like a River"

arr. Douglas E. Wagner

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

*We've come to worship God, who loved us before we were yet born,  
who knows us even better than we know ourselves, whose presence never leaves us,  
and whose love for us never ceases. This is our God. Let's worship together!*

#### HYMN 2

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

*Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing.  
Help us to praise; Father all glorious, o'er all victorious,  
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.*

*Come thou incarnate Word, merciful mighty Lord, our prayer attend.  
Come, and thy people bless, and give thy word success;  
Spirit of holiness, on us descend.*

*Come, holy comforter; thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.  
Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart.  
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.*

*To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence evermore!  
Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.*

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Holy Lord, God of life, hear our prayer:  
Forgive us when we follow paths that do not lead to life as you intend;  
Paths that lead instead to violence, or hate, or fear,  
Paths that lead to division and death.  
Forgive us when we forget that you offer us Life that is abundant and eternal,  
A life surrounded by your Spirit, Life that began at the creation of all things.  
Look deep into our hearts, O God. Search out our hidden thoughts and motives.  
Keep us from actions that will bring harm to ourselves or to others and guide us in  
the ways that lead to life.*

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear these words from Christ:

*"My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness."*

So, go forth in the power of the almighty, who forgives you and loves you. Amen.

### TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rev. Collin Adams

### DUET ANTHEM

"The Lord Is My Shepherd"

Allen Pote

Richard Brown and Julie Vogel

*The Lord is my shepherd. Nothing shall I want.*

*My shepherd makes me lie in fields of green, leads me beside still waters.*

*The Lord is my shepherd who restores my life.*

*Leads me in the paths of righteousness for the sake of the Lord's name.*

*And even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death.*

*I will fear no evil, for you are with me, your rod and staff they comfort me.*

*The Lord is my shepherd, nothing shall I want.*

*My shepherd makes me lie in fields of green, leads me beside still waters.*

*The Lord is my shepherd who restores my life.*

*Leads me in the paths of righteousness for the sake of the Lord's name.*

*You prepare a table before me, in the presence of my enemies.*

*You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.*

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,*

*And in the house of my God I will live forever.*

### SCRIPTURE

Psalm 139

### SERMON

"Skipping Parts"

Rev. Collin Adams

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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; 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.*

## PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

### OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

*When we face an unknown future that we can't imagine yet,  
When the closeness we have treasured turns from blessing into threat;  
As we miss our friends and loved ones, as we crave community,  
May we look, God, in this season, for a whole new way to be.*

*May we cherish those around us as we never have before.  
May we think much less of profit, may we learn what matters more.  
In this time of separation when we miss the life we've known,  
May we hear your voice proclaiming: "I am here! You're not alone."*

*God, when illness comes to threaten, and when so much here goes wrong  
May we know this thing for certain: that your love is sure and strong.  
You're beside us in our suffering and when times are surely tough,  
We may face an unknown future, but it's filled, Lord, with your love.*

### HYMN 749

"Come, Live in the Light"

Haas/arr. Hayes

*Come! live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!  
We are called to be light for the kingdom,  
to live in the freedom of the city of God!  
We are called to act with justice. We are called to love tenderly.  
We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.*

*Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear!  
We are called to be hope for the hopeless,  
so all hatred and blindness will be no more!  
We are called to act with justice. We are called to love tenderly.  
We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.*

*Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one!  
God will reign and we'll walk with each other  
as sisters and brothers united in love!  
We are called to act with justice. We are called to love tenderly.  
We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.*

### POSTLUDE