

**Worship Bulletin**  
**Sunday, February 14, 2021**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING PRAYER**

Tim Nolen

**PRELUDE**

“Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above”

Dan Forrest/Wagner

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Psalm 147:1-5*

**We are called into a relationship with our Lord, and one another.**

Hearing God’s voice, we lay down our burdens

**We rest in the Spirit as we bring our sacrifice of praise.**

**Let us worship God!**

**HYMN 409**

“God Is Here”

Verses 1, 2, and 4

*God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,  
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.  
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts  
wait the coming of the spirit into open minds and hearts.*

*Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;  
here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place.  
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech,  
here in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.*

*Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt  
keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.  
Here in this day’s dedication, all we have to give, receive:  
we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*We are afraid of the light. We do not want to see what it will show us or what it will reveal to others about us. We are worried that we will be seen as the hypocritical people that we are. We prefer darkness or, at the least, something with shadows.*

*Forgive us, Lord. May we be people who are not afraid of letting your light shine on us. May we be people who look at ourselves in your light and then work to remove our dark places. Let us then bear that light to others so that we may grow, challenge and love one another.*

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Good news of the Lord is this: God loves and forgives. Let us turn back to God and walk in the light.

**Thanks be to God we are a free and forgiven people.  
Alleluia, AMEN.**

## TIME WITH CHILDREN

Trinity Gibson

## ANTHEM

*"On Eagle's Wings"  
Vocal soloist: Phyllis Wine*

Michael Joncas, arr. Mark Hayes

*You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in His shadow for life,  
say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!" (refrain)  
And He will raise you up on eagles' wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.  
The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear.  
Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield; (refrain)  
You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day.  
Though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come; (refrain)  
For to His angels He's given a command to guard you in all of your ways  
Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone; (refrain)*

## SCRIPTURES

Psalm 50 & 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

## SERMON

"Gather"

Rev. Collin Adams

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*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**

### **MINUTE FOR MISSION**

Peter Lodal

### **HYMN 403**

“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”

Open now thy gates of beauty, Zion let me enter there,  
where my soul in joyful duty waits for God who answers prayer;  
O how blessed is this place, filled with solace, light, and grace.

Gracious God, I come before thee; come thou also unto me;  
where we find thee and adore thee, there a heaven on earth must be;  
To my heart O enter thou; let it be thy temple now.

Speak, O Lord, and I will hear thee; let they will be done indeed;  
May I undisturbed draw near thee, while thou dost thy people feed.  
Here, of life the fountain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

## **BENEDICTION**

### **POSTLUDE**

“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

James Mansfield