



ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 3, 2022

10:30 a.m. Service

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn of Praise – “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” (UMH #139)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
health and salvation!

All ye who hear,
now to his temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who over all things
so wondrously reigning,

Bears thee on eagle’s wings,
yea, e’er in his keeping maintaining.

God’s care enfolds
all, whose true good he upholds.

Hast thou not known his sustaining?

Praise to the Lord, who doth
prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily
attend thee.

Ponder anew
what the Almighty can do,
Who with His love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish
thy life and restore thee,
Fitting thee well for the tasks that are
ever before thee.

Then to thy need God
as a mother doth speed,
Spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me
adore him!

All that hath life and breath, come now
with praises before Him.

Let the amen sound from his people again,
Gladly forever adore him.

Call to Worship:

Pastor: Sing praises to the Lord, faithful people.

People: Give thanks and remember God's holy name.

Pastor: Come and see what the Lord has done:

People: God's works bring us restoration and hope.

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Act of Praise – “Glory be to the Father” (UMH #70)

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.

Affirmation of Faith – “The Apostles’ Creed” (UMH #881)

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 Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;

The third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at 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 Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Scripture Lesson – Psalm 66:1-9

Prayer of Confession

Amazing God, we come before you with thanksgiving and praise, as your powerful deeds and abundant mercy restore and sustain us. We know that all good things come from you; still, we often take your goodness for granted. We rely on our strength while forsaking your presence. We seek your guidance, then grumble when we don't like your reply. Our eyes become focused solely on our challenges and problems, and we fail to see the opportunities for you to bring healing, transformation, and hope. Forgive us, Lord. Strengthen us by your Spirit that we may be witnesses to your goodness and grace. Amen.

Prayer of Intercession

Message in Music – “The Stars and Stripes Forever” Brian Barber, Piano

Extending the Peace of Christ

Offering

Doxology – “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow” (UMH #94)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn – “Take Time to be Holy” v.1,3,4 (UMH #395)

Take time to be holy,

speak oft with thy Lord;

Abide in him always,

and feed on his word.

Make friends of God’s children,

help those who are weak,
Forgetting in nothing his blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy,
let him be thy guide,
And run not before him,
whatever betide.

In joy or in sorrow,
still follow the Lord,
And, looking to Jesus,
still trust in his word.

Take time to be holy,
be calm in thy soul,
Each thought and each motive
beneath his control.
Thus led by his spirit
to fountains of love,
Thou soon shalt be fitted
for service above.

Sermon – Aren’t My Ways Better?

Text: II Kings 5:1-14

Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Lord’s Prayer

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn – “Hymn of Promise” (UMH #707)

In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!

In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness,
brining hope to you and me.

From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.

In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

Benediction

Congregational Response: “Because He Lives” (UMH #364)

Because he lives, I can face tomorrow
because he lives, all fear is gone
because I know he holds the future
and life is worth the living just because he lives

Postlude

Dismissal

*Brian Barber, Organist
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