



ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 26, 2023

10:30 a.m. Service

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn of Praise – “God of Grace and God of Glory” (UMH#577)

God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown thine ancient church’s story;
bring her bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour, (of this hour)
for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
Fears and doubts too long have bound us;
free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days, (of these days)
for the living of these days.

Cure thy children’s warring madness,
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom’s goal,
(kingdom’s goal)
lest we miss thy kingdom’s goal.

Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the search for thy salvation

be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore, (we adore)
serving thee whom we adore.

Call to Worship:

Pastor: Come and humble yourself before the Lord.

People: We come to worship the God of our salvation.

Pastor: Make us to know your ways, O Lord.

People: Lead us in your truth, and teach us your paths.

Pastor: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord;

People: Guide us in your steadfast love.

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.

Youth Choir – “Who Will Be a Witness?”

Scripture Lesson – Psalm 25:4-10

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we humbly acknowledge that you, and you alone, are our true teacher. We recognize the justice of your decrees and the goodness of your ways, and we long to follow your path of steadfast love and faithfulness. Yet we struggle, Lord; we are quick to see the faults of others while overlooking our own. We do not hesitate to burden others, though are slow to help with their burdens. We freely take in your grace yet struggle to extend mercy. Forgive us, Lord. Teach us your ways of humility and faith, that we may serve you with integrity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Intercession

Extending the Peace of Christ

Choir – “Jesus Messiah”

Offering

Doxology - “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow” (UMH #94)
Praise God from whom all blessing flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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 – “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” (UMH #420)

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldest do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will,
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
till all this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

Sermon – “Hypocrite”

Scripture: Matthew 23:1-12

Hymn – “’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” (UMH #462)

‘Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
and to take him at his word;
just to rest upon his promise, and to know,
‘Thus saith the Lord.’

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I’ve proved him o’er and o’er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
just to trust his cleansing blood;
and in simple faith to plunge me
‘neath the healing, cleansing flood!
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I’ve proved him o’er and o’er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
just from sin and self to cease;
just from Jesus simply taking
life and rest, and joy and peace.
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!

I'm so glad I learned to trust thee,
precious Jesus, Savior, friend;
and I know that thou are with me,
will be with me to the end.
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!

Benediction

Congregational Response: "Sanctuary"
Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary
pure and holy, tried and true
with thanksgiving, I'll be a living
sanctuary for you.

Postlude

*Brian Barber, Organist
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