

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, June 20, 2021

Gathering Music

J. Noel Lance

Greeting & Prayer of Submission

Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

Sung Call to Worship

J. Kevin Gray
NETTLETON

Here we gather as God's people
with our friends from far and near;
let our voices sound with praises
knowing Christ has called us here.
Now we seek and greet each other,
now in joy approach our friends.
Here we mingle bound together
as to all our love extends.

Spoken Call to Worship

Rev. Allison Benfield

ONE: We are God's people, walking together.

ALL: **Let us choose the way of the Lord and live.**

ONE: We are God's servants working and living together.

ALL: **It is God who gives us vision, and God who calls us forth.
Praise the Living God!**

Hymn of Praise

Chalice Hymnal No. 288, vss. 1, 2 & 3

O God of Vision
LOBE DEN HERREN



Reading from the Gospels

Jan Kerley

Luke 13:18-19

Jesus said therefore, "What is the kingdom of God like? And to what should I compare it? It is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in the garden; it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air made nests in its branches."

Matthew 6:10

"...Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

ONE: This is the written word of God for the people of God.

ALL: **Thanks be to God!**

Special Music

If the Lord Had Not Been on Our Side
Together in Christ International Ministries

A Prayer for Refugees

Dick Schafer

Hymn

Chalice Hymnal No. 588, vss. 1 & 4

Have Thine Own Way
ADELAIDE

Message

A Vision for God's Domain
Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

Hymn of Discipleship

Chalice Hymnal No. 280, vs. 4

God Is Here
ABBOT'S LEIGH

Offertory Prayer

Rev. Lee Gray

Offertory Anthem

Be Thou My Vision

Chancel Choir
arr. Carlton Young

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God all creatures here below;
praise God above ye heavenly host:
Creator, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Expressions of the Community

Rev. Nathan Dove

Commissioning the Scattered Church

Dr. Foust

Singing of 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 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.

Postlude

J. Noel Lance

Prayer Concerns & Celebrations

Polly Hull, Gene & Carol Poole, Elma Thomas, Barbara Ledford,
Carol Hager (sister of Betty Harkey), Tish Philemon, Andrew Adair, Carol Drye

Sympathy to Michael and Lydia Farnsworth on the death of Michael's Aunt Frances Dykes
in Houston, Texas.

Sympathy to Mike York in the death of his father,
Carroll O. York, on June 2.

A memorial service for Sara Page Jackson Lewis will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday,
June 23, 2021, in the Chapel at McEwen (formerly Harry & Bryant Company),
500 Providence Road, Charlotte, NC.

Congratulations to Steven & Kimberly Follis on the birth
of their daughter, Joy Christine, on June 16!

Congratulations to Anna and Blinn Cushman on the birth of their twins on June 16!
Carol McLeod is the proud grandmother!