



Morning Worship
October 31, 2021

*Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God,
let us hold fast our confession. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace,
that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*
~ Hebrews 4:14 & 16

Instrumental Prelude

Kathleen Wilkins, organist

Words of Celebration

based on Psalm 118

This is the day the Lord has made!

We will rejoice and be glad in it!

The Lord is our strength and our song; he has become our victory!

You are our God, and we will praise you;

You are our God, and we will exalt you.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!

His faithful love endures forever!

Songs of Praise

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,

Gird on thy mighty sword, 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,

The highest praises be, hence evermore;

Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see,

And to eternity love and adore.

Glorify Thy Name

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You,

Glorify Thy Name in all the earth.

Chorus:

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love You, we worship and adore You,
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Chorus

Spirit, we love you, we worship and adore You,
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Chorus

Morning Prayer

Words of Welcome

Christian Johns, Youth Minister

Choral Worship

Lonesome Valley

text by Joseph Graham

music by Brad Nix

Brittane Lewis Venson, soloist

Dr. Sarah Spencer, pianist

Song of Assurance

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name!

Let angels prostrate fall.

Bring forth the royal diadem,

And crown him Lord of all.

Bring forth the royal diadem,

And crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's chosen race,

Ye ransomed from the fall,

Hail him who saves you by his grace,

And crown him Lord of all.

Hail him who saves you by his grace,

And crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe

On this terrestrial ball,

To him all majesty ascribe,

And crown him Lord of all.

To him all majesty ascribe,

And crown him Lord of all!

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng

We at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song

And crown him Lord of all.

We'll join the everlasting song

And crown him Lord of all.

You Are My All in All

You are my strength when I am weak,

You are the treasure that I seek; You are my all in all.

Seeking You as a precious jewel,

Lord, to give up I'd be a fool; You are my all in all

Chorus:

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,

Rising again I bless Your name; You are my all in all.

When I fall down You pick me up,

When I am dry You fill my cup, You are my all in all.

Chorus

Lessons from Scripture

Ephesians 3:2-13

Corby Martinez, reader

² Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³ that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. ⁴ In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, ⁵ which was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. ⁶ This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.

⁷ I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power.

⁸ Although I am less than the least of all the Lord's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the boundless riches of Christ, ⁹ and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. ¹⁰ His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, ¹¹ according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. ¹² In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence. ¹³ I ask you, therefore, not to be discouraged because of my sufferings for you, which are your glory.

Hymn of Affirmation

In Christ There is No East or West

In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

In Him shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find.
His service is the golden cord, close binding humankind.

Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be.
Who serves my Father as His child is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north.
All Christ-like souls are one in Him throughout the whole wide earth.

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now I'm found,
Was blind, but now I see.

Sermon

Dr. Steven Laufer

Magical Mystery Tour

Ephesians 3:1-21

Closing Song

Take My Life, Lead Me, Lord

Take my life, lead me, Lord,
Take my life, lead me, Lord,
Make my life useful to Thee.
Take my life, lead me, Lord,
Take my life, lead me, Lord,
Make my life useful to Thee.

Take my life, teach me, Lord,
Take my life, teach me, Lord,
Make my life useful to Thee.
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Parting Words

Dr. Laufer, Interim Pastor

Postlude

Kathleen Wilkins