

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP

“Let those refuse to sing, who never knew our God.” Isaac Watts

November 29, 2020

10:45 AM

THE PRELUDE

THE GREETING OF THE CONGREGATION

Minister: The Lord be with you!

Congregation: And also with you!

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS-PASTOR BARNES

THE SERVICE OF PRAISE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP-*PSALM 24:7*

Minister: Lift up your heads, O gates, and be lifted up,

O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in!

Congregation: Who is the King of glory?

Minister: The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle!

Congregation: Lift up your heads, O gates, and lift them up,

O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in!

THE HYMN OF WORSHIP-*NO. 101*

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 pow'r.

To the great One in Three,

Eternal praises be, hence evermore.

His sovereign majesty may we in glory see,

And to eternity love and adore.

THE INVOCATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father which 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.

THE HYMN OF DEVOTION
O For a Closer Walk With God

1. O for a clos-er walk with God, a calm and heav'nly
2. Re-turn, O ho-ly Dove, re - turn, sweet mess-en - ger of
frame, a light that shines up - on the road, rest;
I hate the sins that made You mourn, and
lead - ing to the Lamb. Where is the bless - ed - ness I
drove You from my breast. The dear - est i - dol I have
3. So shall my walk be close with
knew when once I saw the Lord? Where
known, what - e'er that i - dol be, help
God, and calm, se - rene my frame. So
is the soul re - fresh - ing view liv - ing in His word?
me to tear it from Your throne, and wor - ship on - ly Thee.
pur - er light shall mark the road lead - ing to the Lamb.
A light to be my guide, the Fath - er's
pres - ence at my side. In Your will my rest I find. O
for a clos - er walk with God, lead - ing to the Lamb.

William Cowper (1731-1800), adapted by K. Getty
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THE SERVICE OF FAITH

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH-THE APOSTLES' CREED

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. [*universal]

THE DOXOLOGY-NO. 733

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below, alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Amen.**

THE SCRIPTURE READING-2 *PETER 2:10B-16*

The Reader: The Word of the Lord!

The Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Reader: May God's Word live in us!

The Congregation: And bear much fruit to His glory!

THE SERVICE OF PRAYER

THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

Minister: Let us pray that we will live our lives under the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit that the deeds of the flesh will not overwhelm us.

Congregation: Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of the Holy Spirit who indwells us.

Grant us power so that we may die to our flesh and live to Your Spirit, that the fruit of the Spirit may be manifested in our lives. Grant that we will not give sway to the enticing influences of the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the boastful pride of life; this we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your eternal Son, who lives and reigns with You, and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

THE PSALM OF PREPARATION-*THE PSALTER 123A*

I Lift My Eyes to You (*stanzas 1-2*)

I lift my eyes to You enthroned above the skies.

As slaves look to their master's hand, to You I lift my eyes.

As to her lady's hand a slave girl turns her face,

So we look to the Lord our God that He might show us grace.

THE PRAYERS OF ADORATION

THE PRIVATE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

THE CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Most merciful God, we humbly admit that we need Your help. We confess that we have wandered from Your way: we have done wrong, and we have failed to do what is right. You alone can save us. Have mercy on us: wipe out our sins and teach us to forgive others. Bring forth in us the fruit of the Spirit that we may live as disciples of Christ. This we ask in the name of Jesus our Savior. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

THE PRAYERS OF SUPPLICATION

THE SERVICE OF WORD

THE HYMN OF WORSHIP-*NO. 303*

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

**Blessed Jesus, at your word we are gathered all to hear you;
Let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear you,
By your teachings, sweet and holy, drawn from earth to love you solely.**

**All our knowledge, sense, and sight lie in deepest darkness shrouded,
Till your Spirit breaks our night with the beams of truth unclouded.
You alone to God can win us; you must work all good within us.**

**Glorious Lord, your self impart, Light of light from God proceeding;
Open now our ears and heart, help us by your Spirit's pleading;
Hear the cry your people raises, hear and bless our prayers and praises.**

**Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, praise to you and adoration!
Grant that we your Word may trust and obtain true consolation,
While we here below must wander, till we sing your praises yonder.**

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON-MARK 4:26-32; MATTHEW 13:33

THE SERMON-PASTOR BEAULIEU
“Kingdom Growth”

THE HYMN OF WORSHIP-NO. 469
How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

**How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors,
While everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.**

**While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast,
Each of us cries, with thankful tongue, “Lord, why was I a guest?”**

**“Why was I made to hear your voice, and enter while there’s room,
When thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?”**

**‘Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in;
Else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.**

**Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come;
Send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.**

**We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race
May, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.**

THE BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

All are standing
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