

ORDER OF SERVICE  
November 14, 2021

**Gathering for God's Word**

Prelude

Choral Introit

#2034, "Blessed be the Name of the Lord," Sing the Faith Hymnal

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be the name of the Lord Most High  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be the name of the Lord Most High

Glory to the name of the Lord  
Glory to the name of the Lord  
Glory to the name of the Lord Most High  
Glory to the name of the Lord  
Glory to the name of the Lord  
Glory to the name of the Lord Most High

Refrain

The name of the Lord is a strong tower  
The righteous run into it and they are saved  
The name of the Lord is a strong tower  
The righteous run into it and they are saved

Holy is the name of the Lord  
Holy is the name of the Lord  
Holy is the name of the Lord Most High  
Holy is the name of the Lord  
Holy is the name of the Lord  
Holy is the name of the Lord Most High

Welcome & Announcements

Time of Silence & Ringing of the Bell

Call to Worship

[inspired by Romans 8: 35-39; Hebrews 10: 19-22]

Leader: We gather together to worship, knowing that God is already here among us;

**People: We know that there is nothing that can separate us from the presence of our Lord.**

Leader: Wherever we are, wherever we go,

**People: God is near.**

Leader: So let us enter into this service of worship with confidence and hope in knowing that God is already with us,

**People: He stands eager to meet us and bless us with His love.**

## Preparing for God's Word

Hymn of Adoration

#611, "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,  
Op'ning to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise;  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain  
Cause us to rejoice in Thee!

Mortals, join the happy chorus,  
Which the morning stars began;  
Love divine is reigning o'er us,  
Joining all in Heaven's plan  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife;  
Joyful music leads us sunward  
In the triumph song of life.

Dedication Sunday Prayer

*[Particular Prayers]*

Leader: Lord we dedicate our gifts of time, treasures, and talents, small and large, with the hope and confidence that all we do, all we offer, all we say, all we think, and all we hope will be used by you.

**People: Heavenly Father, use our gifts. May they be the source of new expressions of your love, your character, your mission, and your Kingdom.**

Leader: May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven through us, alongside us, despite us, and in us. Amen.

#### Prayer of Confession

**All: God of grace, God of joy, God of life, we come to you as a people hungry for good news. We have become so dead to miracles that often we have missed all the wonders you are doing around us. We have become so preoccupied with ourselves and pleasure that we have overlooked the joy you have placed right in front of us. We have been so concerned with living a good life that we have missed the life you set among us. Forgive us, gracious God. Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift; open our lips and hands to share it with all of humanity in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

#### Assurance of Pardon

[based on 1 Peter 2:24]

Leader: Hear the Good News. Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness;

**People: By his wounds we have been healed. Praise God.**

## Hearing God's Word

#### Children's Message

Ages 12 and under gather up front as congregation sings "Jesus Loves Me." After the Children's Message, the children may return to sit with their families.

#### Hymn of Preparation

#840, "It is Well With My Soul"

When peace like a river attendeth my way  
When sorrows like sea billows roll  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say  
It is well, it is well with my soul

#### Refrain

It is well (it is well)  
With my soul (with my soul)  
It is well, it is well with my soul

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come  
Let this blest assurance control  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul

He lives; O the bliss of this glorious thought  
My sin, not in part but the whole  
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll  
The trumpet shall sound, and the Lord shall descend  
Even so, it is well with my soul!

### Prayer of Illumination

#### New Testament Reading: Hebrews 10: 11-25

11 Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. 12 But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God. 13 Since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool, 14 because by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

15 The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First he says: 16 “This is the covenant I will make with them after that time, says the Lord. I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds.” 17 Then he adds: “Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more.” 18 And where these have been forgiven, there is no longer any sacrifice for sin.

19 Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, 20 by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, 21 and since we have a great priest over the house of God, 22 let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. 25 Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another — and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

### Sermon

“Jesus is Greater... The Song in Our Heart”

## Responding to God’s Word

### Affirmation of Faith

[Apostles Creed]

**People: 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.**

#### Choral Anthem

#### Prayers of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.**

[particular prayers]

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

#### The Lord's Prayer

**All: 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.  
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.**

#### Hymn of Response

#610, "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing," vs. 1, 2, 3

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing  
My dear Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King,  
The triumphs of God's grace!

The name of Jesus charms our fears,  
And bids our sorrows cease—

Sings music in the sinner's ears,  
Brings life, and health, and peace.

Christ speaks, and, list'ning to His voice,  
New life the dead receive,  
The mournful waken to rejoice  
The poor in heart believe.

#### Benediction

#### Benediction Response

#2069, "All Hail King Jesus," Sing the Faith Hymnal

All Hail King Jesus!  
All Hail Emmanuel!  
King Of Kings  
Lord Of Lords  
Bright Morning Star  
And throughout eternity  
I'll sing Your praises  
And I'll reign with You throughout eternity

#### Postlude