



The Morning Worship

Sunday, September 13, 2020

Pastor Lose preaching

Pastor Dixon, liturgist

The Prelude

The Welcome

The Opening Hymn

God of Our Fathers

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before your throne arise.

Refresh your people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
fill all our lives with heav'n-born love and grace,
until at last we meet before your face.

The Invocation

We gather as we live, supported by God's love, confident of God's grace,
and emissaries of God's peace, for we are baptized in the Name of the
Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Confession and Absolution

Pastor: Let us pray: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

St. John writes, “If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sin, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” And so we gather to confess our sin, not because we believe God thinks us unworthy, but because, out of love, God has promised always to receive us in mercy and grace.

Congregation: Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Pastor: And now hear these words of promise and consolation: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. To those who believe, he gives the power to become children of God. All this is promised in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Prayers of the Day

The pastor will close each of the prayers with the words “Lord, in your mercy,” and you are invited to respond, “Hear our prayer.”

The Hymn of the Day

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

God's Word forever shall abide,
no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side
with weapons of the Spirit.

Were they to take our house,
goods, honor, child, or spouse,
though life be wrenched away,
they cannot win the day.

The kingdom's ours forever!

The Reading ~ Psalm 46

*God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.*

*There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.*

*God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.*

*The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.*

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

*Come, behold the works of the Lord;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.*

*He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.*

“Be still, and know that I am God!

I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.”

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living 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.

The Offertory Anthem

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing ~ **Ralph Vaughan**

Williams

Senior Choir

The Sermon

A Psalm of Courage ~ **Pastor Lose**

The Closing Hymn

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring.

Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing.

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

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 and ever. Amen.

The Benediction

The Sending Prayer

Lord God, you have called Your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Postlude

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name ~ Dan Marvin

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