Sunday, June 20th

**Prelude:** To God be the Glory

#### **Welcome and Announcements**



# Call to Worship

Leader: The winds and the waves are no match for our God.

People: Christ speaks peace to the chaos and calm to the storm.

Leader: In midst of the storms of our lives,

People: let us calm our minds and worship God with gladness.

## **Hymn Medley** (please remain seated)

#396 – Brethren We Have Met to Worship, verses 1, 2, & 4

#384 – Soon and Very Soon, verses 1, 2, & 3

#458 – Thy Word Is a Lamp Unto My Feet

Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God. Will you pray with all your power while we try to preach the word? All is vain unless the Spirit of the holy One comes down. Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Sisters, will you come and help us? Moses' sister aided him. Will you help the trembling mourners who are struggling hard with sin? Tell them all about the Savior. Tell them that he will be found. Sisters, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely; let us love each other, too. Let us love and pray for sinners till our God makes all things new. Christ will call us home to heaven; at his table we'll sit down. Christ will gird himself and serve us with sweet manna all around.

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King. Soon and very soon we are going to see the King. Soon and very soon we are going to see the King. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King!

No more crying there: we are going to see the King. No more crying there: we are going to see the King. No more crying there: we are going to see the King. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King!

No more dying there: we are going to see the King. No more dying there: we are going to see the King. No more dying there: we are going to see the King. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King!

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me. Nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.

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#### Call to Confession

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## **Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you; you call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with pride, quarrelling, and divisiveness. Holy God, help us to face up to ourselves, so that, as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

## \*Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Scripture: Psalm 148

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Hymn Medley** (please remain seated)

#611 – Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee, verses 1 &3

#612 - Praise You, O God, verses 1 &2

#630 – Fairest Lord Jesus, verses 1, 2, & 4

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening 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.

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.

We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator; in grateful devotion our tribute we bring. We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you; we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

We worship you, God of our fathers and mothers; through trial and tempest our guide you have been. When perils o'ertake us, you will not forsake us, and with your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O thou of God to earth come down, Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring. Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Beautiful Savior, Ruler of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

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Affirmation 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.

Special Music: Lamb of God

Corinne Carey, Day Arnoult, Jake Bushong, and Matt Carey

# **Prayers of the People**

## The Lord's Prayer

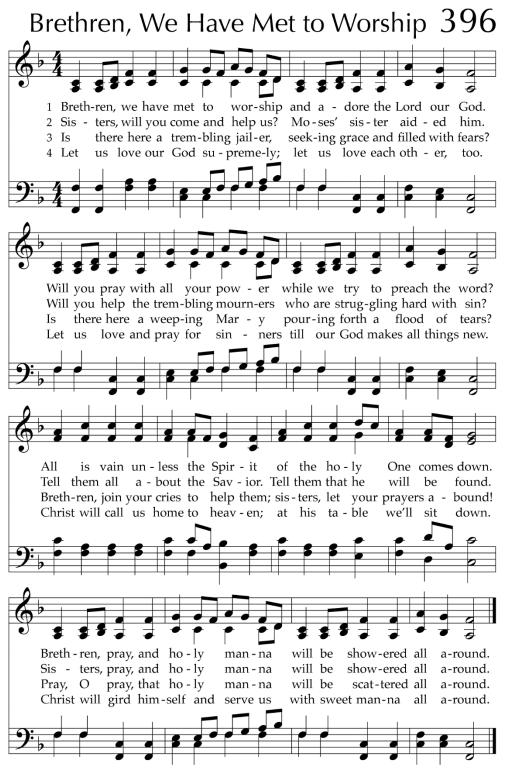
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## \*Congregational Response: Hymn # 606 – Doxology

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

Postlude: There's A Sweet Sweet Spirit In This Place

GATHERING



This hymn comes out of the early 19th-century southern camp meeting experience, where believers were invited to pray for new converts, often likened to biblical characters such as Paul's jailer (Philippians 1:12–13). As its name shows, the five-note tune was created for this text.

A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH



This spirited African American gospel hymn draws on John's vision of the new heaven and the new earth in Revelation 21:3–4, with its wonderful promise that God will wipe away the tears from all eyes, that death will be no longer, and that there will be no more mourning or pain.

THE WORD

# Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet 458



The refrain of this 20th-century song is a quotation of Psalm 119:105 in the King James Version. That longest of all psalms celebrates the gift of God's law by accumulating many synonyms for it. In Christian practice, this verse has been used to give thanks for all Scripture.

**ADORATION** 



This well-known melody was created to provide a choral setting for J. C. F. von Schiller's poem, "An die Freude" (To Joy), as the final movement of the composer's *Ninth Symphony*. The author, a prominent Presbyterian pastor and author, wrote the words with this tune in mind.

TEXT: Henry van Dyke, 1907, alt. MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; adapt. Edward Hodges, 1842, alt. HYMN TO JOY 8.7.8.7.D

**ADORATION** We Praise You, O God Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor; 1 We praise you, O God, our wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and moth - ers; 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer grate - ful tion our trib - ute we bring. de vo through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been. glad of thanks-giv - ing raise. our songs We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you; you When per - ils o'er - take us, will not for - sake us, Lord, be - side arm will guide us. With you, us, your strong we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing. and with your help, O Lord, strug - gles our win. we our great Re-deem er, for - ev - er be praise!

The author wrote this text when only nineteen years old in response to a request from the organist of the Brick Presbyterian Church in New York City, who wanted another Thanksgiving text to sing to this Dutch tune. He regarded the usual text (see no. 336) as too full of conflict.

TEXT: Julia C. Cory, 1902, alt. MUSIC: Neder-landtsch Gedenck-Clanck, 1626; harm. Eduard Kremser, 1877

KREMSER 12.11.12.11 (this tune in a lower key, 336)



Franz Liszt used this melody for a "Crusaders' March" in an oratorio, but this hymn had nothing to do with the Crusades. No record of the German text exists before the middle of the 17th century or of the Silesian folk melody before the first half of the 19th century.