10th Sunday after Pentecost August 9, 2020

Gathering God invites us to enter His presence

Prelude

Jesus Shall Reign Peace in God's Good Time Price Burkhardt

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship (*Time for Silent Preparation*)

Call to Worship

Dan Obenshcain

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. **Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.** Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us and we are his; **we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.** Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. **For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.** Let us worship the Triune God.

Invocation

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You, O God, are mighty forever. You cause the wind to blow and the rain to fall. You sustain the living, give life to the dead, support the falling, loose those who are bound, and keep your faith with those who sleep in the dust. Who is like you, O God of mighty acts? Praise be to you forever. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise 173

All Glory, Laud and Honor

All glory, laud and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King, To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring: Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son, Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One!

The company of angels are raising Thee on high, And mortal men and all things created make reply: The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went: Our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present.

To Thee, before Thy passions, They sang their hymns of praise; To Thee, now high exalted, Our melody we raise: Thou didst accept their praises— Accept the praise we bring, Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King! A-men.

<u>Confessing</u> God invites us to be honest with Him

Prayer of Confession

Dan Obenschain

God of birth, God of joy, God of life, we come to you as a people hungry for good news. We have been so dead to miracles that we have missed the world's rebirth. We have preoccupied ourselves with pleasures and have overlooked the joy you offer us. We have been so concerned with making a living 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 humanity in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Dan Obenschain

The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds. The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord **All: Thanks be to God!**

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, Is now and ever shall be, world without end. A-men, A-men.

<u>Offering</u> Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him

Invitation How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses to help? Dear children, let us love, not in word or speech, but also in truth and action.

Offering

*Please place your offerings in the plate in the back of the church on your way out.

Special Music How Great Thou Art (Gary Covert, Pamela Johnson)

Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, we give our best, lest in gaining the world we lose life itself. As a covenant people, we seek to witness to your will and way. Help us to know more clearly what you would have us do with the wealth entrusted to our care. As we contribute to the needs of your people, we present ourselves as living sacrifices. Through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Jonah 4

Proclaiming God speaks to us through His Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Lesson

4 But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was angry. ² And he prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster. ³ Therefore now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." ⁴ And the LORD said, "Do you do well to be angry?"

⁵ Jonah went out of the city and sat to the east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, till he should see what would become of the city. ⁶ Now the LORD God appointed a plan and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort. So Jonah was exceedingly glad because of the plant. ⁷ But when dawn came up the next day,

God appointed a worm that attacked the plant, so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God appointed a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint. And he asked that he might die and said, "It is better for me to die than to live." ⁹But God said to Jonah, "Do you do well to be angry for the plant?" And he said, "Yes, I do well to be angry, angry enough to die." ¹⁰And the LORD said, "You pity the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did you make it grow, which came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle?"

Sermon

"God Reigns" Tim Latham

Responding We respond to God's Word

Hymn

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

(Chorus)

We will feast in the house of Zion. We will sing with our hearts restored. He has done great things, we will say together. We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord, our God. We are not consumed by the flood; upheld, protected, gathered up. Chorus.

In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid. For the promised morning, oh, how long? Oh, God of Jacob, be my strength. Chorus.

Ev'ry vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful one. And from the garden to the grave, Bind us together, bring Shalom. Chorus.

Confession of Faith (Apostle's 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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried;* the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: Lord, In your Mercy All: Hear our Prayer

<u>Commissioning</u> God sends us out into the world as His witnesses

Hymn 59

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

I sing the mighty pow'r of God, That made the mountains rise; That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies. I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; The moon shines full at His command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, That filled the earth with food; He formed the creatures with His word, And then pronounced them good. Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed, Wher— e'er I turn my eyes: If I survey the ground I tread, Or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flow'r below, But makes Thy glories known; And clouds arise, and tempests blow, By order from Thy throne; While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care, And ev'rywhere that man can be, Thou, God, art present there. A-men.

Benediction & Blessing

Organ Postlude

Make a Joyful Noise

Ritter