



Sunday, January 3, 2021

“Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with
singing! Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made
us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his
pasture.”

Psalm 100:1-3

Order of Worship and Lyrics

Call to Worship

Hymn: Love Divine All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth
come down; Fix in us Thy humble dwelling;
All Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation; Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
Into ev'ry troubled breast! Let us all in Thee inherit,
Let us find the promised rest.
Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning, Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, Let us all Thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish, then, Thy new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in Thee:
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place, Till we cast our crowns
before Thee, Lost in wonder, love and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Praise Song: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found.
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

No guilt in life, no fear in death:
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home,
Here in the pow'r of Christ I stand.

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.

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. Amen, Amen.

Unison Reading: Psalm 146:3-7

“Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish. Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free;”

Pastoral Prayer and 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, forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem

Sermon: “Almost” Randy Jenkins

Scripture: James 1:19-27

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; 20 for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. 21 Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. 22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. 23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and

not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. 24 For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. 25 But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing. 26 If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. 27 Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world."

Hymn: For The Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies: Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour Of the day and of the
night, Hill and vale and tree and flow'r,
Sun and moon and stars of light: Lord of all, to Thee we
raise This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above;
For all gentle thoughts and mild: Lord of all, to Thee we
raise This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the church that evermore, Lifteth holy hands
above, Off'ring up on ev'ry shore
Her pure sacrifice of love: Lord of all, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's
delight, For the mystic harmony

Linking sense to sound and sight: Lord of all, to Thee
we raise, This our hymn of grateful praise.

For Thyself, best Gift Divine! To our race so freely
giv'n; For that great, great love of Thine,
Peace on earth and joy in heav'n: Lord of all, to Thee
we raise, This our hymn of grateful praise.

Benediction/Response: Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen!

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