

Sunday Worship

August 30, 2020

9:30 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you.

Our Approach to God

Prelude *Nearer My God, To Thee* Adams and Mason

The Call to Worship Psalm 105:1-6

O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice. Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually. Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he has uttered, O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

The Hymn of Praise *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* 263

The Prayer of Confession

God of Mercy, we confess that, like the disciples, we set our minds not on divine things but on human things. Doubting your loving care, we grab for more than we need. Doubting your loving purposes, we shrink from living as your followers. Doubting your loving plan, we become stumbling blocks in your creation.

Hear us Lord, as we come to you in the silence of our hearts. (Silence)
Forgive us that we may gain new life in you, for it is in Jesus' forgiving name we pray. **Amen.**

The Assurance of Pardon

Jesus took up his cross for our salvation. In return for old life of sin, he promises a new life of grace. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Thanks be to God. Amen!

The Gloria Patri 579

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.

The Special Music *I Will Go and Do* Day

The Word of God

The Gospel Reading Matthew 16:21-28

The Old Testament Reading Exodus 3:1-15

The Sermon "A Strange Sight" Pastor Philomena

Our Response to Serve

The Affirmation of Faith (from "A Brief Statement of Faith")

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. **Amen!**

The Hymn *Spirit Divine Attend Our Prayers* 325

The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)

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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory *Pavane* Faure

The Prayer of Dedication

The Hymn

**Will You Come and Follow Me*

The Charge and Benediction

The Congregational Response *Farewell, Good Friends*

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Farewell, good friends, Farewell, good friends, Shalom, shalom!

Till we meet again, till we meet again, Shalom, shalom.

The Postlude

Fill My Cup and Let it Overflow

Jones

726 Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons

Capo 3: (D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 Csus C

- 1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?"
- 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?"
- 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?"
- 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?"
- 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B^b F

Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?
 Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?
 Will you set the pris - oners free and nev - er be the same?
 Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?
 Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.

(Em7) (G) (F#m7) (G) (Asus) (A)
 Gm7 B^b Am7 B^b Csus C

Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare?
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the world a - round,
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B^b F

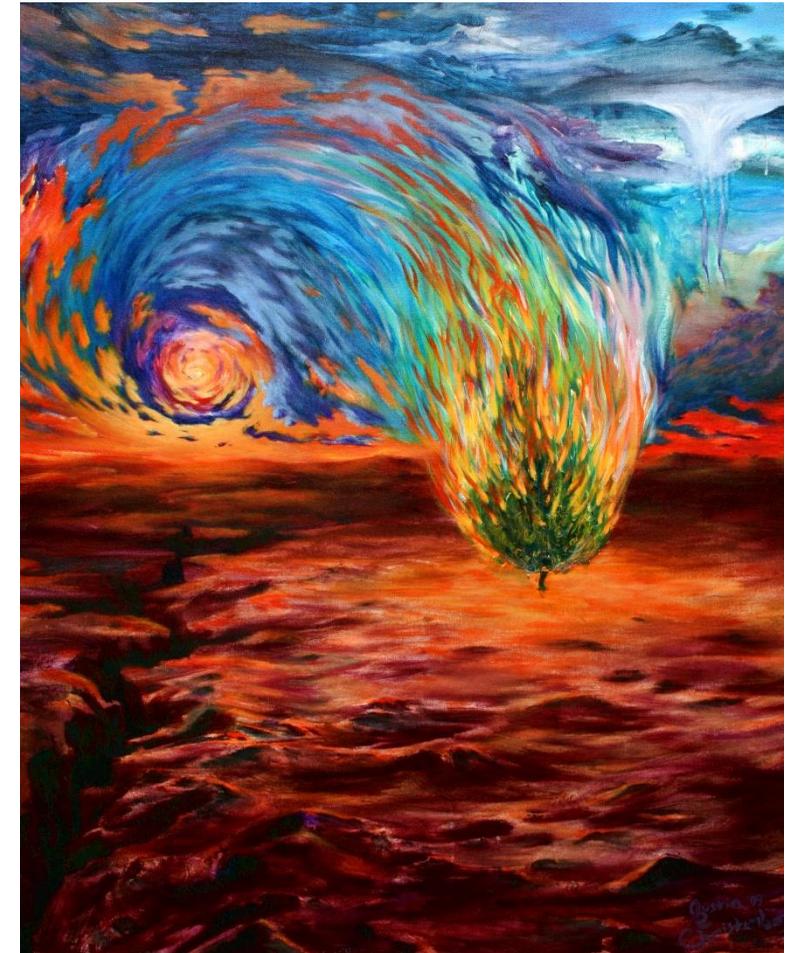
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"
 Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"
 and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"
 through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"
 Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise, In
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light, Nor
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small; In
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light; Thine

light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes, Most
 want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might; Thy
 all life thou liv - est, the true life of all; We
 an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight; All

bles - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days, Al -
 jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove Thy
 blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree, And
 laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see 'Tis

might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!
 clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
 on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

Text: W. Chalmers Smith, 1824-1908, alt.
 Tune: Welsh folk tune

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Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

NUN DANKET ALL' (GRÄFENBERG) C.M.

Andrew Reed, 1829

Crüger's Praxis Pietatis Melica, 1653

1. Spir - it di - vine, at - tend our prayers, And make this
 2. Come as the light: to us re - veal Our emp - ti -
 3. Come as the fire: and purge our hearts Like sac - ri -
 4. Come as the dove: and spread your wings, The wings of
 5. Spir - it di - vine, at - tend our prayers; Make a lost

house your home; De - scend with all your
 ness and woe; And lead us in those
 fi - cial flame; Let our whole soul an
 peace - ful love; And let the church on
 world your home; De - scend with all your

gra - cious powers; O come, great Spir - it, come!
 paths of life Where all the righ - teous go.
 of - fering be To our re - deem - er's name.
 earth be - come Blest as the church a - bove.
 gra - cious powers; O come, great Spir - it, come! A - men.