

## **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

Voluntary: Choral in E

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### **Call to Worship**

“Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right.” *I Corinthians 13:4-6*

**Hymn:** 606 Lord, You sometimes speak in wonders

*Stüttgart*

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### ***We bring to God our prayers and The Lord's Prayer***

**Our Father,  
Which art in heaven  
Hallowed be Thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come,  
Thy will be done in 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, the power and the glory,  
Forever.  
Amen**

## ***We hear the Word of God***

Old Testament:                   **Jeremiah 1:4-10**           *(Read by Michael Hunter)*

<sup>4</sup> Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,  
<sup>5</sup> “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”  
<sup>6</sup> Then I said, “Ah, Lord God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am  
only a youth.” <sup>7</sup> But the Lord said to me,  
“Do not say, ‘I am only a youth’;  
for to all to whom I send you, you shall go,  
and whatever I command you, you shall speak.  
<sup>8</sup> Be not afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.”  
<sup>9</sup> Then the Lord put forth his hand and touched my mouth; and  
the Lord said to me,  
“Behold, I have put my words in your mouth.  
<sup>10</sup> See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to break down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant.”  
Amen

## **Children’s Time**

***We respond to God’s Word with our Offering***  
*(Children invited to help with the Offering)*



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Offertory: Fidelis

Percy Whitlock

## **Prayer**

*Children leave for Crèche and Sunday Club*

**Hymn:** 4 How excellent in all the earth

*Winchester Old*

1. How excellent in all the earth,  
Lord, our Lord, is Thy name!  
Who hast Thy glory far advanced  
Above the starry frame.
2. When I look up unto the heavens,  
Which Thine own fingers framed,  
Unto the moon, and to the stars,  
Which were by Thee ordained.
3. Then say I, What is man, that he  
Remembered is by Thee?  
Or what the son of man, that Thou  
So kind to him should'st be?
4. For Thou a little lower hast  
Him than the angels made;  
With glory and with dignity  
Thou crownèd hast his head.

***We bring to God our Prayers of Confession***

***We hear the Word of God***

New Testament: **Luke 13:10-17**

<sup>10</sup> Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. <sup>11</sup> And there was a woman who had had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. <sup>12</sup> And when Jesus saw her, He called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." <sup>13</sup> And He laid His hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. <sup>14</sup> But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the sabbath day." <sup>15</sup> Then the Lord answered him, "You

hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his ass from the manger, and lead it away to water it? <sup>16</sup> And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" <sup>17</sup> As He said this, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by Him.

Amen

**Hymn**: 348 Praise the One Who breaks the darkness

*Joel*

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### **Intimations**

**Hymn**: 605 Thanks to God Whose word was spoken

*St Helen*

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Sermon

### **Liberating Words**

***We bring to God our prayers  
of Thanksgiving and Intercession***

**Hymn**: 112 God, Whose almighty word

*Moscow*

1. God, Whose almighty word  
Chaos and darkness heard,  
And took their flight;  
Hear us, we humbly pray,  
And, where the gospel-day  
Sheds not its glorious ray,  
Let there be light.
2. Saviour, Who came to bring,  
On Your redeeming wing,  
Healing and sight,  
Health to the sick in mind,  
Sight to the inly blind,  
Now to all humankind  
Let there be light.

3. Spirit of truth and love,  
Life-giving, holy dove,  
Speed forth Your flight;  
Move o'er the waters' face,  
Bearing the lamp of grace,  
And in earth's darkest place  
Let there be light.
4. Blessèd and holy Three,  
Glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might,  
Boundless as ocean's tide  
Rolling in fullest pride,  
Through the world far and wide  
Let there be light.

### **Benediction and Threefold Amen**

Voluntary: Toccata in G

Th. Dubois