

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Voluntary:

Chorale Prelude on "Jesus Christus, unser Heiland", BWV 665 J S Bach

Introit: I was glad

Eric Thiman

Call to Worship

"...contend for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints."

Jude 3

Hymn: 189 Be still, for the presence of the Lord

Be Still

(Text omitted due to copyright laws)

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:

Lamentations 3:19-26

Remember my affliction and my bitterness, the wormwood and the gall!
My soul continually thinks of it and is bowed down within me. But this I
call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the LORD
never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every
morning; great is thy faithfulness.

"The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.
It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.
Amen

(read by Paul Cackette)

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



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Offertory:

Chorale Improvisation on "Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Prayer

Children leave for Crèche and Sunday Club

We bring to God our prayers of Adoration and Confession

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New Testament:

II Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life which is in Christ Jesus, to Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I thank God whom I serve with a clear conscience, as did my fathers, when I remember you constantly in my prayers. As I remember your tears, I long night and day to see you, that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lo'is and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you. Hence I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands;

for God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and self-control. Do not be ashamed then of testifying to our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel in the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not in virtue of our works but in virtue of his own purpose and the grace which he gave us in Christ Jesus ages ago, and now has manifested through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, and therefore I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me.

Follow the pattern of the sound words which you have heard from me, in the faith and love which are in Christ Jesus; guard the truth that has been entrusted to you by the Holy Spirit who dwells within us.

Amen

Intimations

Hymn: 645 I'm not ashamed to own my Lord

Jackson

1. I'm not ashamed to own my Lord,
Or to defend His cause,
Maintain the glory of His cross,
And honour all His laws.
2. Jesus, my Lord! I know His Name,
His Name is all my boast;
He will not put my soul to shame,
Nor let my hope be lost.
3. I know that safe with Him remains,
Protected by His power,
What I've committed to His trust,
Till the decisive hour.

4. Then will He own His servant's Name
Before His Father's face,
And in the new Jerusalem
Appoint my soul a place.

Sermon

Great is Thy faithfulness

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

***We make confession of our Faith
in the Apostles' Creed (all standing)***

**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**

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Hymn: 19 Ye gates lift up your heads on high

St George's Edinburgh

1. Ye gates, lift up your heads on high;
Ye doors that last for aye,
Be lifted up, that so the King
Of glory enter may.
But Who of glory is the King?
The mighty Lord is this.
Even that same Lord that great in might
And strong in battle is.
Even that same Lord that great in might
And strong in battle is.

2. Ye gates, lift up your heads; ye doors,
Doors that do last for aye,
Be lifted up, that so the King
Of glory enter may.
But Who is He that is the King,
The King of glory? Who is this?
The Lord of hosts, and none but He,
The King of glory is.
The Lord of hosts, and none but He,
The King of glory is.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!

Amen, amen, amen

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

At the Communion:

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is

John Goss

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is, blessed is the man that trusteth in him. O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints, for they that fear him lack nothing. The lions do lack and suffer hunger, but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.

(Ps. XXXIV, 8-10.)

Hymn: 153 Great is Thy faithfulness

Faithfulness

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Benediction and Threefold Amen

Voluntary: Final

Denis Bédard

*The Apostles' Creed is an ancient creed of the Church. It is the preferred statement of belief of the Reformed churches and was included in weekly worship by both Calvin and Knox. The word 'creed' comes from the Latin word **credo** meaning 'I believe.' The Creed can be understood literally, though it is best read as poetry. It is Scriptural and, therefore, draws upon the faith narratives of the Bible. It employs powerful religious imagery intended for meditation.*