

8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP
November 15, 2020
24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(Please follow the ushers' direction on seating. We will maintain at least 6 feet between individuals unless you come as a family who live together.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: "My Inmost Heart ... Now Raises a Song of Thankful Praises" – J. G. Walther

P. We prepare our hearts and minds for worship, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

CONFESSION:

C. Almighty God, I have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. I have sinned by what I have done and what I have left undone. I have not loved you with my whole heart. I have not loved my neighbor as myself. Forgive me. Renew me. Lead me. I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who suffered for us all and was raised from the dead, that first Easter. Amen.

P. It is always my honor and privilege to announce that God has freely forgiven you and me. We stand here, trusting, by God's grace alone. We stand here as free men and women, boys and girls. May the wind of Pentecost move our hearts and our hands.

C. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

1 Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
 tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 streams of mercy, never ceasing,
 call for songs of loudest praise.
 While the hope of endless glory
 fills my heart with joy and love,
 teach me ever to adore thee;
 may I still thy goodness prove.

2 Here I raise my Ebenezer:
 "Hither by thy help I've come";
 and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
 safely to arrive at home.
 Jesus sought me when a stranger,
 wand'ring from the fold of God;
 he, to rescue me from danger,
 interposed his precious blood.

3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor
 daily I'm constrained to be;
 let that grace now like a fetter
 bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
 Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
 prone to leave the God I love.
 Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it;
 seal it for thy courts above.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790, alt.

APOSTOLIC GREETING:

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Dear God, help us to realize we can act freely because of your grace. We are free to live, free to love, and free to give. Help us to see that truth as more than a verbal slogan. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

BIBLE READINGS

SERMON: "In Us God Trusts"

Pastor Larry Isbell

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Come Thou Almighty King"

- 1 Come, thou almighty King,
help us thy name to sing;
help us to praise;
Father all-glorious,
o'er all victorious,
come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.
- 2 Come, thou incarnate Word,
merciful, mighty Lord;
our prayer attend.
Come and thy people bless,
and give thy word success,
and let thy righteousness
on us descend.
- 4 To thee, great One in Three,
eternal praises be
hence evermore!
Thy sov'reign majesty
may we in glory see,
and to eternity
love and adore.

Text: source unknown, c. 1757, alt.

APOSTLES' CREED:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living 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 dead,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

(At the end of each petition, the leader will say "Lord, in your mercy." Feel free to respond with "Hear our prayer.")

THE 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;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.**

BENEDICTION:

P. Now may God, who has loved us with a love beyond all telling, send us forth to care for the world around us and to share the good news of that love, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: “O Zion Haste”

- 1 O Zion, haste, your mission high fulfilling,
to tell to all the world that God is light;
that he who made all nations is not willing
one soul should perish, lost in shades of night.

Refrain

Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace,
tidings of Jesus, redemption, and release.

- 2 Publish to ev'ry people, tongue, and nation
that God, in whom they live and move, is love;
tell how he stooped to save his lost creation
and died on earth that we might live above. *Refrain*

- 3 He comes again! O Zion, ere you meet him,
make known to ev'ry heart his saving grace;
let none whom he has ransomed fail to greet him,
through your neglect, unfit to see his face. *Refrain*

Text: Mary A. Thomson, 1834-1923

DISMISSAL:

- P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
C. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: “My Soul Now Praise Your Maker!” – J. G. Walther

*(Please exit row by row, beginning with the back.
Talk to others from a distance in the parking lot.)*

**Today’s altar flowers are given by Mike & Susan Harrison in honor of Matt’s birthday
and by Jenny Boggs in honor of Daniel’s birthday.**