

Lord's Day Service of Divine Worship

Sunday, September 8th 2024

11:00am

God Calls Us Into His Holy Presence

The Prayer of Preparation *(for individual use before worship)*

"Almighty God, as You sent Your Son to cleanse us from sin and raise us to life eternal, so grant us Your Spirit to believe and adore Him, who is the Friend of Sinners and the Lord of Life. Amen."

The Chiming of the Hour, the Words of Welcome, and Passing of the Peace

The peace of our Lord be with you!

And also with you!

The Trinity Chime, the Prayer of Invocation, and Prelude

***The Call to Worship** *from Psalm 35:9*

People of God, lift up your hearts:

We lift them to the Lord!

We rejoice in You, O Lord, and we delight in Your salvation!

With our whole being, we exclaim: "Who is like You, O God our God!"

***The Opening Hymn** #652 *"A Grateful Heart"*

The Opening Prayer of Adoration

...who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, **one God now and forever.**

Amen.

The Choral Introit *"Christ, We Do All Adore Thee"*

God Convicts, Assures, and Restores Us

The Confession of Our Sins

Almighty God, You alone know the many ways have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; in the wrong things we have done, and the good things we have left undone. O God, show Your mercy to us poor sinners: forgive our sins, and renew our hearts through the Spirit of Him who lived, and died, and rose for our salvation, Jesus Christ, our Lord...*(continue in silent confession)*

The Gospel Promise of God's Forgiveness *from 1 Timothy 1:15*

"It is a trustworthy saying and worthy of full acceptance - Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - and I am the chief one." I declare to you, in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, and you are made new! **Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

The Sung Acclamation #447 *"We are Forgiven"*

Choir: We are for-giv-en. We are for-giv-en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

All: We are for-giv-en. We are for-giv-en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

The Call to the Christ-Life *from Micah 6:8*

Dear friends, God has shown us what is good. And what does our God require of us? **To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with Him, our God!**

***The Sung Response** *The Gloria Patri (located on Pew Card)*

***The Affirmation of Our Christian Faith** *The Apostles Creed (located on Pew Card)*

The Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes

***The Sung Response of Gratitude and Praise** *The Doxology (located on Pew Card)*

***The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

God Speaks and Seals His Promises in His Word

The Gospel Lesson *Matthew 9:18-26*

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***The Sung Response** #450 *"Be Thou My Vision" (v. 1)*

Be Thou my vi-sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me save that Thou art; Thou my best thought, by day or by night, wak-ing or sleep-ing, Thy pre-sence my light.

The Sermon *“Matthew (34): The King With Healing in His Hands”*

***The Hymn of Response** #829 *“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”*

The Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

God Sends Us Forth to Live in Christ

***The Closing Hymn** #835 *“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”*

***The Benediction**

***The Congregational Benediction** #748 *“Go with Us, Lord”*

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and ev-ery com-ing day, that in Your Spir-it strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.