

Delighting in God's Glory | Demonstrating His Grace | Declaring His Gospel

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*PSALM 100

“Shout to the Lord, All Earth”

Diademata



1. Shout to the Lord, all earth, and make a joy - ful noise! With glad - ness serve the
2. En - ter his gates with thanks, and fill his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, and



Lord your God; be - fore him lift your voice! Now know the Lord is God, he
bless his name; to God your voic - es raise. Be - cause the Lord is good, his



made us, we are his— his peo - ple and his sheep, who safe - ly in his pas - ture graze.
stead-fast love en - dures; from age to age, for - ev - er - more, his faith - ful - ness is sure.

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made.

Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

READING OF THE LAW

The Fifth Commandment

Exodus 20:12

Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Daniel 9:4-5

O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

Arise



- 1. Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y, weak and wound - ed, sick and sore;
- 2. Come, ye thirst - y, come, and wel - come, God's free boun - ty glo - ri - fy;
- 3. Let not con - science make you lin - ger, nor of fit - ness fond - ly dream;
- 4. Come, ye wea - ry, heav - y la - den, lost and ru - ined by the fall;



Je - sus read - y stands to save you, full of pit - y, love and pow'r.
 true be - lief and true re - pent - ance, ev - ery grace that brings you nigh.
 all the fit - ness he re - quir - eth is to feel your need of him.
 if you tar - ry till you're bet - ter, you will nev - er come at all.



Refrain: I will a - rise and go to Je - sus, he will em - brace me in his arms;



in the arms of my dear Sav - ior, O, there are ten thous - and charms.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Zechariah 10:6-12

⁶ “I will strengthen the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph.

I will bring them back because I have compassion on them, and they shall be as though I had not rejected them, for I am the LORD their God and I will answer them.

⁷ Then Ephraim shall become like a mighty warrior, and their hearts shall be glad as with wine.

Their children shall see it and be glad; their hearts shall rejoice in the LORD.

⁸ “I will whistle for them and gather them in, for I have redeemed them, and they shall be as many as they were before.

⁹ Though I scattered them among the nations, yet in far countries they shall remember me, and with their children they shall live and return.

¹⁰ I will bring them home from the land of Egypt, and gather them from Assyria, and I will bring them to the land of Gilead and to Lebanon, till there is no room for them.

¹¹ He shall pass through the sea of troubles and strike down the waves of the sea, and all the depths of the Nile shall be dried up.

The pride of Assyria shall be laid low, and the scepter of Egypt shall depart.

¹² I will make them strong in the LORD, and they shall walk in his name,” declares the LORD.

*HYMN

“Now Thank We All Our God”

Nun Danket



1. Now thank we all our God with heart and hand and voic - es, who won-drous things hath
2. O may this boun-teous God thro' all our life be near us, with ev - er joy - ful
3. All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - en, the Son, and him who



done, in whom his world re - joic - es; who, from our moth - er's arms, hath
hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us; and keep us in his grace, and
reigns with them in high - est heav - en, the one e - ter - nal God, whom



blest us on our way with count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.
guide us when per - plexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
earth and heav'n a - dore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev - er - more.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

James 1:1-4

¹James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes in the Dispersion: Greetings. ²Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, ³for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness.

⁴And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

SERMON

“Faith for the Fainthearted”

Rev. Thomas Myrick

1st in a series on the Letter of James

*HYMN

“Like a River Glorious”

Wye Valley



1. Like a ri - ver glo - rious is God's per - fect peace, o - ver all vic - to - rious in its bright in - crease;
2. Hid - den in the hol - low of his bless - ed hand, nev - er foe can fol - low, nev - er trai - tor stand;
3. Ev' - ry joy or tri - al fall - eth from a - bove, traced up - on our di - al by the sun of love;



per - fect, yet it flow - eth full - er ev - 'ry day, per - fect, yet it grow - eth deep - er all the way.
not a surge of wor - ry, not a shade of care, not a blast of hur - ry touch the spir - it there.
we may trust him ful - ly all for us to do— they who trust him whol - ly find him whol - ly true.



Stayed up - on Je - ho - vah, hearts are ful - ly blest— find - ing as he prom - ised, per - fect peace and rest.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**Congregation standing as able*

Face Coverings and **physical distancing** of at least six feet are required at all services.

Exiting the service

- Exit by the front ramp doors or the rear Narthex doors (use the closer of the two) while maintaining physical distancing.
- Use the center aisle only, allowing those closest to the exit to depart before you, pew-by-pew.

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NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 18

MORNING SERVICE

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

"The Word Revealed to the World"

John 1:1-18

Dr. Todd M. Smedley

EVENING SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

"Lord, Grant Me Wisdom!"

James 1:5-11

Rev. Thomas Myrick

*Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
will be celebrated.*

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Quarterly, as of March 31

Annual Budget	\$ 5,146,626
Expenses	\$ 1,289,734
Contributions	\$ 876,349

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