

Sunday Worship

February 10, 2019

We welcome you to worship.

Meditation in Preparation for Worship

*“There is a plan and a purpose, a value to every life,
no matter what its location, age, gender or disability.”*

(Sharron Angle)

Prelude “Sheep May Safely Graze” (from the *Birthday Cantata*) J.S. Bach

Introit Piano Improvisation and Hymn

Welcome

Ringing of the Bell

Call to Worship (Psalm 111:1a, 2a, 3) Responsively

Leader: “Praise the Lord! I thank the Lord with all my heart

Congregation: The works of the Lord are magnificent;

Leader: God’s deeds are majestic and glorious.

Congregation: God’s righteousness stands forever.”

***Hymn of Praise No. 469** “Morning Has Broken” Bunessan

“Morning has broken like the first morning,
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the word!

Sweet the rain’s new fall sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness where God’s feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God’s recreation of the new day!”

***Opening Prayer**

First Scripture Reading (p. 766) Psalm 121

I raise my eyes toward the mountains. Where will my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. God won’t let your foot slip. Your protector won’t fall asleep on the job. No! Israel’s protector never sleeps or rests! The Lord is your protector; the Lord is your shade right beside you. The sun won’t strike you during the day; neither will the moon at night. The Lord will protect you from all evil; God will protect your very life. The Lord will protect you on your journeys—whether going or coming—from now until forever from now.

Time with the Children (11 a.m.)

Gathering Song: “This Is the Day That the Lord Has Made”

“This is the day, this is the day,
That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made.
I will rejoice, I will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.
This is the day that the Lord has made,
I will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day, that the Lord has made.”

Going Song: “Jesus Loves Me”

“Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to him belong; they are weak but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.”

*Children 3-years-old through Kindergarten are excused for Bible Bunch (Bible Bunch Rm)
Children in grades 1 through 5 are excused for Sunday School (Sunday School Rm)*

Minute for Hometown Sunday

Pat Breman

Commissioning of New Members

Presentation

9 a.m.: Harriet Petruccio, Carlene Sclafani, Doug Wiles, and Tenna Wiles

Covenant Questions and Promises

To the new members: Who is your Lord and Savior?

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Will you, as a believer in Jesus Christ and as a member of this church, act out your faith in the world, in your work and in your family?

I will.

Do you covenant to be an active member of this church through your life in the world and support of this church?

I do.

To the congregation: As a congregation, will you support these new members with your encouragement and your prayers, as together we seek to call upon and praise God?

We will, God being our help. May God give us all grace to share ministry together that Christ may be glorified in this place.

Charge by the Pastor

Welcoming Prayer

Hymn of Welcome

“Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.”

Prayers of the People

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.”

The Ministry of The Church

(Please sign and pass the red friendship book.)

Offering . . . *“Freely we have received, freely let us give.”*

Offertory Anthem

“God Go Before You”

Roy Hopp

“God go before you to lead you.
God go behind you to protect you.
God go beneath you to befriend you.
Do not be afraid.
And let the blessing of Almighty God, the Father, the Son,
And the Holy Spirit come upon you and settle in around you.
Do not be afraid.
Go in peace in love and serve the Lord.
Amen.”

***Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen.”

***Affirmation of Faith**

Philippians 4:4-7

Be glad in the Lord always! Again I say, be glad! Let your gentleness show in your treatment of all people. The Lord is near. Don't be anxious about anything; rather, bring up all of your requests to God in your prayers and petitions, along with giving thanks. Then the peace of God that exceeds all understanding will keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus.

Special Music

“The Prayer”

David Foster

Robyn Lamp and Alejandro Viera

“I pray you'll be our eyes and watch us where we go
And help us to be wise in times when we don't know
Let this be our prayer as we go our way
Lead us to a place guide us with your grace
To a place where we'll be safe

La luce che to dai
I pray we'll find your light
Nel cuore restero
And hold it in our hearts
A ricordarchi che
When stars go out each night
L'eterna stella sei
Nella mia preghiera
Let this be our prayer
Quanta fede see'e
When shadows fill our day

Lead us to a place guide us with your grace
Give us faith so we'll be safe.

Sognamo un mondo senza piu violenza
Un mondo di giustizia e di speranza
Ognuno dia la mano al suo vicino
Simbolo di pace e di fraternita

La forza che ci dai
We ask that life be kind
E'il desiderio che
And watch us from above
Ognuno trovi amore
We hope each soul will find
Intorno e dentro a se
Another soul to love

Let this be our prayer, let this be our prayer
Just like every child, just like every child
Needs to find a place, guide us with your grace
Give us faith so we'll be safe

E la fede che, Hai acceso in noi, Sento che ci salver”

Second Scripture Reading (p. 1415)

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

I was given a thorn in my body because of the outstanding revelations I've received so that I wouldn't be conceited. It's a messenger from Satan sent to torment me so that I wouldn't be conceited. I pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me alone. He said to me, "My grace is enough for you, because power is made perfect in weakness." So I'll gladly spend my time bragging about my weaknesses so that Christ's power can rest on me. Therefore, I'm all right with weaknesses, insults, disasters, harassments, and stressful situations for the sake of Christ, because when I'm weak, then I'm strong.

Message

“How to Handle Our Handicaps”

Dr. Hood

***Hymn of Dedication No. 282**

Wer nur den lieben Gott

“If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee”

“If thou but trust in God to guide thee,
With hopeful heart through all thy ways,
God will give strength,
whate'er betide thee,
To bear thee through the evil days.
Who trusts in God's unchanging love
Builds on the rock that nought can move.

Only be still, and wait God's leisure
In cheerful hope, with heart content
To take whate'er thy keeper's pleasure
And all discerning love hath sent.
No doubt our inmost wants are clear
To one who holds us always dear.

Sing, pray, and swerve
not from God's ways,
But do thine own part faithfully;
Trust the rich promises of grace,
So shall they be fulfilled in thee.
God never yet forsook at need
The soul secured by trust indeed."

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

"Trumpet Tune"

David Johnson

*The congregation is invited to stand, if you are able.