
THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 16, 2020 | 10:15 AM



CONNECTING **FAITH,**
FRIENDSHIP, FAMILY

The Worship of God

GATHERING

PRELUDE

*Holy God, We Praise Your Name
Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones*

Michael Burkhardt
Wilbur Held

GREETING

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

God speaks peace to the faithful,
 And we respond with abundant praise.
God makes no distinctions among us –
 Let us worship God.

◆ HYMN 327

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

From all that dwell below the skies
let the Creator's praise arise:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
through every land, in every tongue.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

In every land begin the song;
to every land the strains belong:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
In cheerful sound all voices raise
and fill the world with joyful praise.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;
eternal truth attends thy word:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,
till suns shall rise and set no more.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God,
you call us to step out in faith,
trusting you in all things.

We respond to your command
but then sink in doubt and fear.

Forgive us, we pray, when we confess with our lips,
but do not trust you in our hearts.

Lift us out of despair and into the arms of mercy,
allow us to hear your voice amid the noise of the world.

We pray this with the confidence of your people,
redeemed and renewed in Christ.

We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

WORD

MUSICAL OFFERING

Kris Shay and Sharon Stilwell

Sonata No. 1 for two Treble Recorders

Georg Philipp Telemann

I. Dolce

II. Vivace

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 50:1–5

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Annika Lister Stroope

Defining a Sacrifice

◆ **HYMN 620**

LAUDA ANIMA

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor
to his people in distress;
praise him still the same as ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Fatherlike, he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Widely yet his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy:
Hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

debts/debtors

SENDING

◆ HYMN 465

CONVERSE

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit;
O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge;
take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee;
thou wilt find a solace there.

◆ **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Robert A. Hobby

About Today's Service

Assisting in worship today:

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Annika Lister Stroope

Music Director: Rich Dewein

Organist: Lois Harms

Musical Offering: Kris Shay and Sharon Stilwell

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dedicated to a strong tradition of worship,
committed to spiritual inquiry and growth,
caring for one another,
and bearing witness to God's love in the world.



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