

May 5, 2024

Prelude

The Gift of Love—H. Hopson

W. Twarosch

The music of the Prelude begins the worship experience. The time of sharing and fellowship comes to an end, and we enter into a time of quiet, prayerful reflection. We invite you to sit quietly and allow the Holy Spirit to speak to you through the notes of the music at this time.

Words of Welcome

Pass the Peace of Christ

***Hymn**

Praise be the Lord Almighty

No. 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, Who over all things so wondrously reigning,
Bears thee on eagle's wings, e'er in his keeping maintaining.
God's care enfold all, whose true good he upholds.
Hast thou not known his sustaining?

Praise to the Lord, Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
Who with His love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee,
Fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee.
Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed,
Spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen sound from His people again,
Gladly forever adore Him.

Invocation

The First Reading

Psalm 98

Kathie Kelley

The Word in Music

Morning Has Broken

Kathie Kelley

The Pastor's Time with Kids

Choir

***Blessing the Gifts that We Bring**

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

No. 95

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.

Dedication Prayer

Time of Intercession

Pastoral Prayer over our Joys and Concerns:

*Hymn of Preparation

Abide With Me vs. 1,3,5

No.700

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour. What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like thyself my guide and strength can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes. Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee; in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Words for Today

John 15:9-17

Kathie Kelley

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Message:

Abiding

Pastor Lisa

*Hymn

Blest Be the Tie that Binds

No. 557

Blest be the tie that bind sour hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share each other's woes, our mutual burdens bear;
and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

Communion Liturgy

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Majestic God,

In the beginning you formed the heavens and the earth. You filled ... care for your world and co-create with you.

Compassionate God,

What love is this, that you in your vastness and omnipotence, you attend to our needs and hear the cries of our hearts? Through your Grace... You have given your Word to be a lamp to our feet. You transform us with the glory of your love.

You who made the moon and stars, we praise you with all the creatures of the earth and all the company of heaven. We join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in
the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!**

Redeeming God,
You sent us Jesus, who emptied himself that we might be filled, Who suffered and died that we might
live. He fed the hungry, healed the afflicted, and ate with the scorned and forgotten of this world. ..
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Therefore, Holy God,
Grant that in praise and thanksgiving, we may be a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable in your sight,
and that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and fruit of the vine,...
Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours,
almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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. Amen.

As Jesus broke bread, we break this bread. As Jesus took the cup, we take this cup. As the first
disciples shared communion in an upstairs room, we share these gifts.

Benediction:

Pastor Lisa

Postlude

Guide Me, O thou Great Jehovah—H.Hopson

W. Twarosch

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We will continue throughout the Year to pray

Wednesdays at 6pm at The Church

Friday:

Morning 9am Men’s Breakfast, At the Farmtown, East Windsor

Women’s Breakfast, at Angelina’s Restaurant Hazard Ave, Enfield

Saturday: Prayer Shawl, meets the 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month 10am come join the fun!

Dates to Look Forward To: