Order of Worship October 31, 2021

Prelude I

Praeludium in A Minor

– J.S. Bach

Prelude II

Let the Praises Ring HolyGrounds Praise Band

- Lincoln Brewster

Greeting & Announcements

Call to Worship

| Pastor: | In holy splendor, we worship the Lord. |
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| People: | In God is glory and strength. |
| Pastor: | The Lord is mighty, God is with us. |
| People: | In torrents and storms, God's peace pervades. |
| Pastor: | In rumbling thunder, God's mighty voice soothes. |
| People: | The Lord is majestic. |
| Pastor: | God is with us. |
| All: | Together, let us worship God! |

| *Opening Hymn | O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing | – David Crowder |
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*Call to Confession

Todd Ramsey

*Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we thank you that you lead us into the light, the perfect and radiant Light of Jesus Christ our Lord. We thank you for sending Jesus to call us from death to life. Yet we confess that we were dead in sin before we heard Christ's call. Too often we feel overwhelmed by life and don't trust in your provision. We don't reach out to take your hand and let you lead us. We confess that too often we seek your salvation and then act as if we can save ourselves. We beg your forgiveness and then repeat the error of our ways. We experience your grace and then still act defeated. We rely on your power, but only in the most difficult of times. Lord, we have become confused and misguided.

Forgive us, Lord Jesus. Mend our ways and heal our hearts. Help us to trust in you alone through Jesus Christ who is the way of hope, the truth of God, and the life of love, now and forever; Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Anthem

– Vanja Watkins, arr. Barlow Bradford

Press Forward, Saints

Sanctuary Choir; Glenn Bennett, Director; Mark Ramsey, Keyboard, Bea Towe, Piano

Children's Sermon

Chris McKee

Prayer for Illumination Todd Ramsey Lord God, help us to turn our hearts toward you and hear what you will speak to us through your Word. For you speak peace to your people through Jesus Christ, the Light that shines in the darkness. Amen.

Scripture

Ruth 1:1-13; John 11:28-35

| Sermon | God Won't (| Give You More Than You Can Handle | Rev. Ann Conkl.in | | |
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| *Hymn of A | Affirmation | Will You Let Me Be Your Servant | #727, Vss. 1,3,4 | | |
| Pastoral Prayer / Listing of Saints | | | | | |

The Lord's Prayer

Offering

| Offertory | <i>Glory to God Forever</i> HolyGrounds Praise Band | – Steve Fee/Vicky Beeching |
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| *Doxology | Be Thou My Vision | #450, Vs. 3 |
| *Prayer of Dedication | | |
| *Closing Hymn | For All the Saints | #326, Vss. 1,4,5 |
| *Benediction | | |
| Postlude | Postlude on "Oh, Worship The King" | – Joyce Jones |

*Please rise in body or spirit.

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