

8:00AM DIVINE SERVICE

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10th Sunday after Pentecost 9 August 2020

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AS WE GATHER

Almighty Father, heav'n and earth With lavish wealth before Thee bow; Those treasures owe to Thee their birth, Creator, Ruler, Giver, Thou. (*TLH* 438:1)

With those poetic words from years ago, English hymn writer Edward Dayman describes God the Father at work. He not only created us and rules over us, but He is also known to us in His giving—the giving of the daily blessings we receive and, most important, the giving of His Son to be our Savior. Prompted by the Holy Spirit, we bring to God our praises as part of the good service of our lives. The heavenly Father awaits our response to His gracious giving!

PRELUDE "The Call to Morning Prayer"

Franklin Ritter

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN "Earth and All Stars"

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⅓ SERVICE OF THE WORD **⅓**

INTROIT

Psalm 34:4-8; antiphon: v. 1

⁴I sought the LORD, and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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¹I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

KYRIE ~ LORD, HAVE MERCY



⁵Those who look to Him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

⁶This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him, and delivers them.

⁸Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blesséd is the man who takes refuge in Him!



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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P The Lord be with you.



Let us pray...Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



(God tells Job of His lordship over all creation.)

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    4"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
        Tell me, if you have understanding.

    5Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
        Or who stretched the line upon it?

    6On what were its bases sunk,
        or who laid its cornerstone,

    7when the morning stars sang together
        and all the sons of God shouted for joy?
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8"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb,
9when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band,
10 and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors,
11 and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?

12"Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place,
13 that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it?
14It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment.
15 From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken.

¹⁶ Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep?

¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?

¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 18:1-6

¹I love you, O LORD, my strength.

²The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

³I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

⁴The cords of death encompassed me; the torrents of destruction assailed me; ⁵the cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.

⁶In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help. From His temple He heard my voice, and my cry to Him reached His ears.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

EPISTLE (Faith comes from hearing the Gospel.)

Romans 10:5-17

⁵For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or "Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in Him will not be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing His riches on all who call on Him. ¹³For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

¹⁴But how are they to call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

VERSE Matthew 14:27

Alleluia. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." Alleluia. GOSPEL (Stand) (Jesus walks on the water on the Sea of Galilee) Matthew 14:22-33



²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowds.

²³And after He had dismissed the crowds, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. When evening came, He was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

²⁸And Peter answered Him, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water." ²⁹He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹Jesus immediately reached out His hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped Him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."



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HYMN OF THE DAY "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" # 717

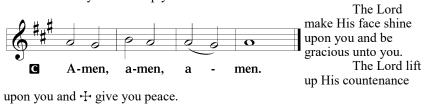
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P The Lord bless you and keep you.



CLOSING HYMN "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

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POSTLUDE - MELITA

arr. Noel Rawsthorne

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