

# Bulletin for Worship

## YouTube Service

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### Call to Worship

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Now is the time to awake from sleep. Come and enter into the gifts of salvation.

Christ Jesus saved us from alienation and living in meaninglessness. God's presence lifts us up and fills our lives with blessings.

Plant the seeds of God's presence and peace.

We have come to be refreshed in the knowledge of God's love for each one of us, so that we may bear good fruit and share peace with the people we meet.

### **Hymn Glory to God Hymnal #509** *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

All who hunger, gather gladly;

holy manna is our bread.

Come from wilderness and wandering.

Here, in truth, we will be fed.

You that yearn for days of fullness,

all around us is our food.

Taste and see the grace eternal.

Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers,

seeker, be a welcome guest.

Come from restlessness and roaming.

Here, in joy, we keep the feast.

We that once were lost and scattered

in communion's love have stood.

Taste and see the grace eternal.

Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together;

Jesus Christ is living bread.

Come from loneliness and longing.

Here, in peace, we have been led.

Blest are those who from this table

live their days in gratitude.

Taste and see the grace eternal.

Taste and see that God is good.

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*MUSIC (HOLY MANNA 8.7.8.7.D): William Moore's Columbian Harmony, 1825*

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## **Prayer of Adoration**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Compassionate God, we are always secure in Your love. Your grace is deeper than the ocean, Your wisdom beyond measure. Yet we live our lives fearing that You will ask of us more than we can give. We live as if You have forgotten our needs and our limitations. So we worry about time, about money, and about what the future might bring. You invite us to live in joy and confidence, but we turn our eyes from Your face and focus instead upon the cares that weigh upon our souls. Remind us again that You will not forsake us. Show us again how to live in the fullness that You intend for us. Humbly, we open our hearts and minds to Your loving correction. Amen.**

*Take a few moments for your own silent confession*

### **Assurance of Hope and Forgiveness**

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old is gone; behold, a new life has begun. Live in confidence and in peace knowing that God's love is for you today, tomorrow, and for all time. In Christ Jesus we have been forgiven. Hallelujah, and Amen.

### **The Presbyterian Hymnal #579 "Gloria Patri"**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

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*Glory Be to the Father*

*TEXT: Trad. liturgical text. Composer: Henry W. Greatorex (1851)*

### **Scripture Readings: Ephesians 3:14-21**

<sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, <sup>17</sup>and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup>I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup> Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **John 6:1-21**

<sup>1</sup> After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. <sup>3</sup>Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. <sup>5</sup>When he looked up and saw a large crowd

coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. <sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' <sup>8</sup>One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup>'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' <sup>10</sup>Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. <sup>11</sup>Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

<sup>15</sup> When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

<sup>16</sup> When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, <sup>17</sup>got into a boat, and started across the lake to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. <sup>18</sup>The lake became rough because a strong wind was blowing. <sup>19</sup>When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the lake and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. <sup>20</sup>But he said to them, 'It is I; do not be afraid.' <sup>21</sup>Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land towards which they were going.

**Message:** "What About Miracles?"  
**Prayer**

### **Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

#### **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.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned 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.

### **Sending Hymn Glory to God Hymnal #687 *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past***

Our God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home:

Beneath the shadow of thy throne  
thy saints have dwelt secure;

sufficient is thine arm alone,  
and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,  
or earth received its frame,  
from everlasting thou art God,  
to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight  
are like an evening gone,  
short as the watch  
that ends the night  
before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream,  
bears all our years away;  
they fly forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the opening day.

Our God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
be thou our guard  
while life shall last,  
and our eternal home.

*TEXT: Isaac Watts, 1719, alt.*

*MUSIC (ST. ANNE, CM): Attr. William Croft, 1708*

## **Benediction**