

OCTOBER 18, 2020

PRELUDE:

“My Heart Ever Faithful” -Bach

OPENING SENTENCES

Exalt the Almighty  
and worship at God’s holy mountain,  
**for the Lord our God is holy.**  
Look! The Lord draws near;  
come into the presence of the Holy One.  
**Let us behold the glory of our God.**

Hymn Meditation

“Holy, Holy, Holy” -Burkhardt

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jesus is able for all time  
to save those who approach God through him,  
since he always lives to make intercession for them.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Living Lord,**  
**in you we live and move and have our being.**  
**You call us to give all that we are**  
**and all that we have**  
**in service to Christ.**  
**But we hold tightly to our treasure,**  
**afraid we will not have enough for ourselves,**  
**and hold back our talents,**  
**afraid these gifts will not be enough.**  
**God, unclench our fists**  
**and help us to give fully and freely**  
**so that, in all things,**  
**we might serve and glorify you. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The good news in Christ is that when we face ourselves and God with the awareness of our need, we are given grace to grow, and courage to continue the journey.

**Leader:** Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**People:** In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

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, amen.**

SOLO:

“Shelter Me”

-Joncas

PSALM 96:1-9

ISAIAH 45:1-7

SERMON

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN # 12 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might:  
Thy justice, like mountains high soaring above;

Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small.

In all life though livest, the true life of all.

We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,

The wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

#### BENEDICTION

Postlude:

“Give Thanks, O Christian People”

Music: Jeff Seekins

Soloist: Maria Goodrich

Preacher: Jim Hardy

Reader:

Today's solo was written by the same composer as Eagles' Wings and As the Deer. It is a COVID prayer song. All rights and royalties have been suspended for a short period so that this composition can be experienced without cost. This was last presented by Maria on August 30, 2020 and returns today.