2020 "Behold, The Mighty Hand of God"



# WELCOME TO WORSHIP THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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**Call Statement:** 

"My call is to share my Faith in Christ"

## Mission Statement:

"To live my Faith in Christ I will build loving relationships so others will become disciples with Jesus as Lord and Savior."

## PRELUDE

Beth Helwagen

## WELCOME AND PRAYER

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Leader: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

## All: Amen.

Leader: Father of mercies and God of all consolation, come to the aid of Your people, turning us from our sin to live for You alone. Give us the power of Your Holy Spirit that we may attend to Your Word, confess our sins, receive Your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Redeemer.

## All: Amen.

- Leader: We are witnesses to all that Jesus did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put Him to death by hanging Him on a tree. But God raised Him on the third day and made Him to appear. All the prophets testify about Him that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name. (Acts 10:39-40,43)
- Leader: Almighty God, merciful Father:
- All: As a penitent sinner I come to confess all my sins and iniquities with which I have offended You, my Lord. I repent and ask for forgiveness for the sake of the suffering and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Be merciful and gracious to me, a poor sinner; Forgive my sins, give me Your Holy Spirit for the amendment of my life, and grant me everlasting life in Your Son, Jesus Christ. I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.

- Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and, for His sake, forgives you all your sins. Through His Holy Spirit He cleanses you and gives you power to proclaim the mighty deeds of God who called you out of darkness into the splendor of His light. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- All: Amen.

#### HYMN

#### LBW #507

## How Firm a Foundation

#### Verse 1

How firm a foundation O saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith In His excellent Word! What more can He say Than to you He has said, Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?

#### Verse 2

Fear not I am with you Oh, be not dismayed, For I am your God And will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, And cause you to stand, Upheld by my righteous omnipotent hand.

#### Verse 3

When through fiery trials Your pathway shall lie, My grace all sufficient Shall be your supply. The flames shall not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume And your gold to refine.

#### Verse 4

Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove My sov-'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; And then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn, Like Lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

#### **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

- Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- All: And also with you.

#### THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray: Heavenly Father,

All: We praise You and give thanks that You sent the prophets and gave the Scriptures that we may recognize the Messiah. Through His suffering and death, Jesus fulfilled the Scriptures and thus reveals He is the Messiah, the Christ, the Son of God. Now we ask these same Scriptures strengthen us so that the Faith sustains us through these times of uncertainty. We pray in Jesus' Name. Amen.

LESSON	1 F	Peter	1:17	- 25

**<u>GOSPEL</u>** Luke 24:13 - 35

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

LBW #390

# Why I Believe the Scriptures

#### HYMN

I Love to Tell the Story

Verse 1

I love to tell the story Of unseen things above, Of Jesus and His glory, Of Jesus and His love. I love to tell the story, Because I know it's true; It satisfies my longings As nothing else would do.

#### Chorus

I love to tell the story; I'll sing this theme in glory And tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.

#### Verse 2

I love to tell the story: How pleasant to repeat What seems, each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet! I love to tell the story, For some have never heard The message of salvation From God's own holy Word.

#### Chorus

#### Verse 3

I love to tell the story, For those who know it best Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest. And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, I'll sing the old, old story That I have loved so long.

#### Chorus

### APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- Pastor: Rejoicing in God's marvelous work of new life in Jesus Christ, let us pray for revival in the world, in the church, and in every person's heart and soul..
- Pastor: (After each petition. . .) Lord, in your mercy,
- All: hear our prayer.

- Pastor: ... To You, O God our Father, we lift up all for whom we pray ,trusting in the everlasting promises given through the One whom You lifted up from death and the grave, Jesus Christ our risen Lord.
- All: Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER - in unison

All: 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 and ever. Amen.

## THE SENDING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray. Heavenly Father,

All: Open my eyes, open my heart, so I see and have compassion on broken and lost people around me. Move me to bring Hope into their lives with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Give me courage. Give me patience. Guide my words. Through me I pray they experience Jesus' redeeming Love. I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## THE BENEDICTION

- Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
- All: Amen.

#### LBW #379

## Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word

Verse 1 Spread, oh, spread, almighty Word, Spread the reign of God the Lord; Tell how His own Son He Gave, All from sin and death to save.

Verse 2

Tell of our Redeemer's grace, Who, to save our human race And to pay rebellion's price, Gave Himself as sacrifice.

Verse 3

Tell of God the Spirit giv'n Now to guide us on to heav'n, Strong and holy, just and true, Working both to will and do.

Verse 4 Lord of harvest, great and kind, Rouse to action heart and mind; Let the gath'ring nations all

See Your light and heed Your call.

#### THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord! All: Thanks be to God!

## NEXT SUNDAY May 3, 2020 Fourth Sunday of Easter

## **Scripture Readings for Next Sunday**

Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 23 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10

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