



# Please tune your car radio to 106.1 FM to Worship with us today!

Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. *Hebrews 4:16*  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

#### **BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

#### All: Amen.

Leader: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### All: Amen.

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#### Leader: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy 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. 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.

#### THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always. All: And also with you (Wave and/or Honk to each other)

**<u>HYMN</u>** Sing to the Lord of Harvest LBW #412

Verse 1

Sing to the Lord of harvest, Sing songs of love and praise; With joyful hearts and voices Your alleluias raise. By Him the rolling seasons In fruitful order move; sing to the Lord of harvest A Joyous song of love.

Verse 2

God makes the clouds drop fatness, The deserts bloom and spring, The hill leap up in gladness, The valleys laugh and sing, God fills them with His fullness, All things with large increase; He crowns the year with goodness, With plenty and with peace.

#### Verse 3

Bring to this sacred altar The gifts His goodness gave, The golden sheaves of harvest, The souls Christ died to save. Your hearts lay down before Him When at His feet you fall, And with your lives adore Him Who gave His life for all.

#### **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: O LORD God,

All: Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may always be mindful of the end of all things and the day of Your last judgment, and be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You forever hereafter; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

Swedish Psalm Book, 1677

LESSONS

Psalm 90 1 Thessalonians 5:1 - 11

<u>GOSPEL</u>

Matthew 25:14 - 30

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

SBH #533

# From Everlasting to Everlasting

#### <u>HYMN</u>

Great God, We Sing That Mighty Hand Verse 1 Great God, we sing that mighty hand By which supported still we stand; The opening year Thy mercy shows, Let mercy crown it till it close.

> Verse 2 By day, by night, at home, abroad, Still are we guarded by our God, By His incessant bounty fed, By Hi unerring counsel led.

# Verse 3

With grateful hearts the past we own; The future, all to us unknown, We to Thy guardian care commit, And, peaceful leave before Thy feet.

Verse 4

In scenes exalted or depressed Thou art our joy, and Thou our rest; Thy goodness all our hopes shall raise, Adored through all our changing days.

#### Verse 5

When death shall close our earthly songs, And seal in silence mortal tongues, Our Helper God, in Whom we trust, Shall keep our souls and guard our dust. Amen.

# 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: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us be united as the Church in heart and mind as we go to our heavenly Father in prayer.
  Pastor: (After each petition. . .) Lord, in your mercy,
  All: hear our prayer.
  Pastor: . . . Into your hands, Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your
  - Son, Jesus Christ our 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.

# **HYMN**

This Is My Father's World Verse 1

LBW #554

This is my Father's world, And to my lis-t'ning ears; All nature sings, and round me rings The music of the spheres. This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.

#### Verse 2

This is my Father's world; The birds their carols raise; The morning light, the lily white, Declare their Maker's praise; This is my Father's world; He shines in all that's fair; In the rustling grass I hear Him pass; He speaks to me ev-'ry-where.

#### Verse 3

This is my Father's world; Oh, let me not forget That, though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet. This is my Father's world; Why should my heart be sad? The Lord is King, let the heavens ring; God reigns, let the earth be glad!

# THE DISMISSAL

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

"You Are the Christ, the Son of the living God".

**NEXT SUNDAY November 22, 2020** Christ the King Sunday **Scripture Readings for Next Sunday** Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Psalm 95:1-7a 1 Corinthians 15:20-28 Matthew 25:31-46

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# Upcoming ministry notes for you:

Christmas Baskets for residents of Mulberry Terrace: This will be our seventh year blessing the residents of IHN's Mulberry Terrace. The Christmas Basket shopping lists are now available.

Christmas Poinsettia order forms will be available next Sunday.

2021 Offering Envelopes will be available November 29th

Sunday November 29th First Sunday of Advent Sunday December 20<sup>th</sup> Last day to drop off items for

Mulberry Terrace Christmas Baskets.

Thursday December 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve Worship