

2020

*“Behold, The Mighty Hand of God”*

Faith  
Hope  
Love

WELCOME TO WORSHIP  
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST

**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.”*

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**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*)

### HYMN

## God Himself Is Present

LBW #249

### Verse 1

God Himself is present; Let us now adore Him  
And with awe appear before Him!

God is in His temple; All within keep silence,  
Prostrate lie with deepest rev-erence.

Him alone God we own,

Him, our God and Savior; Praise His Name forever!

### Verse 2

God Himself is present; Hear the harps resounding;  
See the hosts the throne surrounding!

"Holy, holy, holy!" Hear the hymns ascending,  
Songs of saints and angels blending.

Bow your ear to us here: Hear, O Christ, the praises  
That Your Church now raises.

### Verse 3

Light of light eternal, All things penetrating,  
For Your rays our soul is waiting.

As the tender flowers, Willingly unfolding,  
To the sun their faces holding:

Even so would we do, Light from You obtaining,  
Strength to serve You gaining.

### Verse 4

**Come, celestial Being, Make our hearts Your dwelling,  
Ev'ry carnal thoughts dispelling.**

**By Your Holy Spirit Sanctify us truly,  
Teaching us to love You only.**

**Where we go here below, Let us bow before You  
And in truth adore You.**

### 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: Almighty and eternal God,

All: **Increase in us faith, hope, and love. Lead us to love what You command so that we may obtain what You promise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.**

Leonine Sacramentary is the oldest surviving Liturgical Book of the Roman Rite dating to the 6th and 7th Century with roots in the 5th Century.

### LESSONS

1 Thessalonians 1:1 - 10

Psalm 96:1 - 9

### GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15 - 22

### THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

# By Faith, by Love, by Hope

**HYMN** God of Our Life, All- Glorious Lord *LBW #270*

**Verse 1**

**God of our life, all - glo - rious Lord,  
Be now and ev-er-more adored!  
Into the o-p'ning of this day  
Bring grace and love and peace we pray.**

**Verse 2**

**Make clear our path, that we may see  
Where we must walk to be with Thee  
And ever listen for Thy voice,  
That we may make Thy way our choice.**

**Verse 3**

**Give us Thy help in ev'ry task,  
Nor let us fail of Thee to ask  
For grace in speech, for love in deed,  
From wrongful action to be freed.**

**Verse 4**

**At e-ven-tide then will we raise  
A grateful heart in songs of praise,  
And worship Thee and Thy dear Son  
With God the Spirit, ever one.**

**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

LBW #453

#### If You But Trust in God to Guide You

##### Verse 1

If you but trust in God to guide you  
And place your confidence in Him,  
You'll find Him always there beside you,  
To give You hope and strength within.  
For those who trust God's changeless love  
Build on the rock that will not move.

##### Verse 2

What gain is there in futile weeping,  
In helpless anger and distress?  
If you are in His care and keeping,  
In sorrow will He love you less?  
For He Who took for you a cross  
Will bring you safe through ev-'ry loss.

##### Verse 3

In patient trust await His leisure  
In cheerful hope, with heart content  
To take what-e'er your Father's pleasure  
and all - discerning love have sent;  
Doubt not your inmost wants are known  
To Him Who chose you for His own.

##### Verse 4

Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving,  
Offer your service faithfully,

And trust His Word; though undeserving,  
You'll find His promise true to be.  
God never will forsake in need  
The soul that trusts in Him indeed.

### THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

**NEXT SUNDAY October 25, 2020**

***Reformation Sunday***

*Wear Red to Celebrate*

**Scripture Readings for Next Sunday**

**Revelation 14:6-7 Psalm 46 Romans 3:19-28**

**John 8:31-36**

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