

2020

“Behold, The Mighty Hand of God”

*For He made Him who knew no sin
to be sin for us that we might
become the righteousness of God
in Him* 2 Corinthians 5:21

WELCOME TO WORSHIP
EIGHTEENTH 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.”*

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 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less LBW #294

Verse 1

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim,
But wholly lean on Jesus' Name.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

Verse 2

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

Verse 3

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Sustain me in the raging flood;
When all supports are washed away,
He then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

Verse 4

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before the throne!
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

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 God, the Son of God,

All: **Who didst suffer for us, the just for the unjust; Save us by the shame of Thy Passion, and clothe us with the robe of Thy righteousness, so that, through the unmerited suffering of Thy death, we may escape the punishment our sins have deserved. Hear the sorrowful sighing of Thy Church, O Lord, Who for her didst suffer death upon the cross. Let her, whose sole trust is in what Thou didst endure for her, never be put to shame. Be her support in all trials, and crown her at last with glory everlasting. Through Thy mercy, O our God, Who art blessed, and dost live, and govern all things, world without end. Amen.**

In traditional old English, adapted from the Liturgical Rite of the Latin Church known as the Hispanic Rite observed across the Iberian Peninsula (now Spain and Portugal) reaching back more than 1,300 years in church history.

LESSONS

Philippians 3:4b - 14

Psalm 80

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33 - 46

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

On the Basis of Faith

HYMN

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

LBW #479

Verse 1

**My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray; Take all my guilt away.
Oh, let me from this day Be wholly Thine!**

Verse 2

**May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart, My zeal inspire.
As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!**

Verse 3

**While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread Be Thou my Guide.
Bid darkness turn to day; Wipe sorrow's tears away;
Nor let me ever stray From Thee aside!**

Verse 4

**When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold, sullen stream Shall o'er me roll;
Blest Savior, then in love, Fear and distrust remove;
Oh, bear me safe above, A ransomed soul!**

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

Blessing and Honor

LBW #525

Verse 1

Blessing and honor and glory and pow'r,
Wisdom and riches and strength evermore,
Offer to Him who our battle has won,
Whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne;
Whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne!

Verse 2

Let all the heavens resound with His name;
Let all the earth sing His glory and fame.
Ocean and mountain, stream, forest, and flow'r
Echo His praises and tell of His pow'r;
Echo His praises and tell of His pow'r.

Verse 3

Ever ascending the song and the joy,
Ever descending the love from on high;
Blessing and honor and glory and praise -
This is the theme of the hymns that we raise;
This is the theme of the hymns that we raise.

Verse 4

Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb!
Take we the robe and the harp and the psalm;
Sing we the song of the Lamb who was slain,
Dying in weakness and rising to reign;
Dying in weakness and rising to reign!

THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

NEXT SUNDAY October 11, 2020
Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Scripture Readings for Next Sunday
Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 23 Philipians 4:4-13
Matthew 22:1-14

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