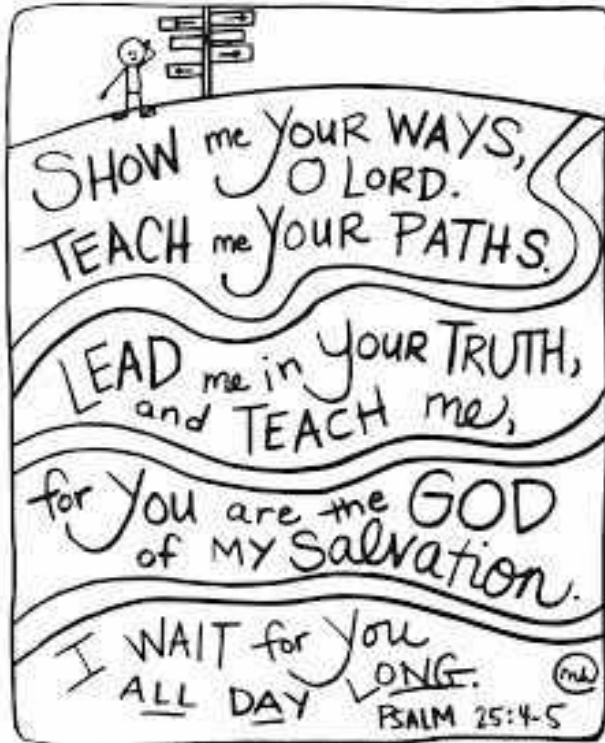


2020

*“Behold, The Mighty Hand of God”*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP  
 Seventeenth 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*)

### SONG

#### Open the Eyes of My Heart

##### Chorus

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord;  
Open the eyes of my heart.  
I want to see You! I want to see You!  
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord;  
Open the eyes of my heart.  
I want to see You! I want to see You!

##### Verse

To see You high and lifted up,  
Shining in the light of Your glory;  
Pour out Your power and love  
As we sing holy, holy, holy!

##### Chorus

##### Verse

**Bridge** (Sing three times)  
Holy, holy, holy!  
Holy, holy, holy!  
Holy, holy, holy!  
I want to see 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: O Lord,

All: **You are great and greatly to be praised; great is Your power, and Your wisdom is infinite. We would praise You without ceasing. You call us to delight in Your praise, for You have made us for Yourself, and our hearts find no rest until we rest in You; with the Father and the Holy Spirit all glory, praise, and honor be to You, both now and forevermore. Amen.**

Saint Augustine of Hippo, early church father and theologian. 354 - 430 AD.

Martin Luther turned to Augustine's writings and cited them more than any other non-scripture source. Only the Scriptures, the Bible, are cited more by Luther.

### LESSONS

**Ezekiel 18:1 - 4, 25 - 32**

**Psalm 25:1 - 11**

### GOSPEL

**Matthew 21:23 - 27**

### THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

## Our Loving and Faithful Lord

### SONG

#### My Jesus I Love Thee

##### Verse 1

My Jesus I love Thee; I know Thou art mine.  
For Thee all the follies Of sin I resign.  
My gracious Redeemer, My Savior art Thou.  
If ever I loved Thee, My Jesus, 'tis now.

##### Verse 2

I love Thee, Because Thou hast first loved me,  
And purchased my pardon On Calvary's tree.  
I love Thee For wearing the thorns On Thy brow,  
If ever I loved Thee, My Jesus, 'tis now.

**Verse 3**

I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,  
And praise Thee As long as Thou lendest me breath;  
And say when the death dew Lies cold on my brow,  
"If ever I loved Thee, My Jesus 'tis now."

**Verse 4**

In mansions of glory And endless delight,  
I'll ever adore Thee In heaven so bright.  
I'll sing with the glittering crown On my brow,  
"If ever I loved Thee, My Jesus, 'tis now."

**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.**

**SONG**

**How Great Is Our God**

**Verse 1**

**The splendor of the King, Clothed in majesty;  
Let all the earth rejoice, All the earth rejoice.  
He wraps Himself in light, And darkness tries to hide,  
And trembles at His voice, And trembles at His voice.**

Chorus  
How great is our God!  
Sing with me: How great is our God!  
And all will see how great,  
How great is our God!

Verse 2  
And age to age He stands, And time is in His hands;  
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.  
The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son.  
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb.

BRIDGE  
Name above all names, Worthy of all praise.  
My heart will sing: How great is our God!  
(repeat)

Chorus  
Chorus

**THE DISMISSAL**

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



**NEXT SUNDAY October 4, 2020**  
***Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost***  
**Scripture Readings for Next Sunday**  
Isaiah 5:1-7 Psalm 80:7-19 Philippians 3:4b-14  
Matthew 21:33-46

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