

"Use What God Has Given You"

Dr. Tim Bruster

I Corinthians 12:4-6

Traditional Worship

11:00 am

October 15, 2017

WE GATHER

Welcome

Choral Call to Worship – Ain't Gonna Wait
Jeff Rose and Misty Armstrong, composers

*Call to Worship

God, whose gifts are overflowing, May we hear You when You call;

There are many gifts, but only One Spirit.

God, we join in celebration of the talents You impart to each of us.

There are many gifts, but only One Spirit.

All are blest by gifts You give us; Some are set apart to lead, some to serve others, some to teach, others to work for justice and peace.

There are many gifts, but only One Spirit.

May all our gifts be used for blessing!

*Hymn 145 – Morning Has Broken

Morning has broken like the first morning.

Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.

Praise for the singing, praise for the morning,

Praise for them springing fresh from the word.

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven,

Like the first dewfall on the first grass.

Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,

Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight. Mine is the morning,

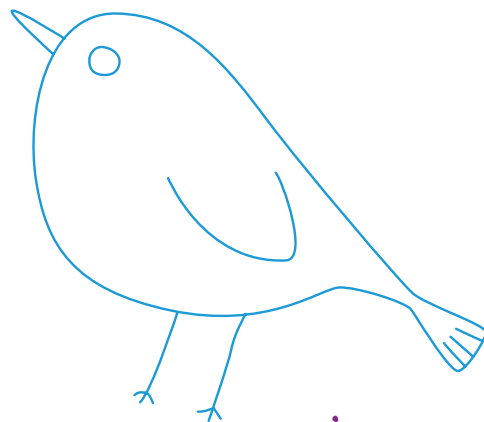
Born of the one light Eden saw play.

Praise with elation, praise every morning

God's recreation of the new day.

Word of the Day:
Gifts

Memory Verse:
Many gifts,
one spirit.
- I Corinthians 12:4



Elation means
great happiness.

* Affirmation of Faith

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

God is with us. We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

We trust in God. We are called to be the church.

In life beyond death

Amen.

To celebrate God's presence.

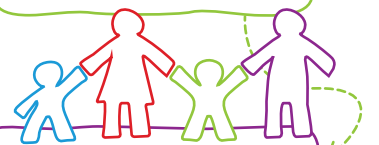
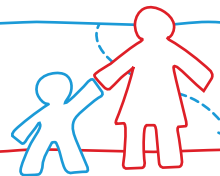
To love and serve others.

In death

In life

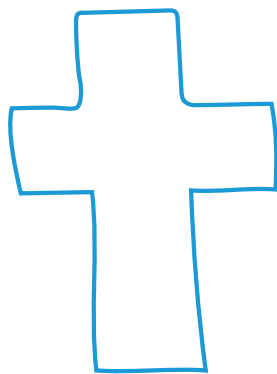
To proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

To seek justice and resist evil.



*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;



Gloria Patri means "Glory to the Father." This short hymn of praise has been sung by Christians for many centuries.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.

Please be seated. Ushers will assist in seating at this time.

WE PROCLAIM

Scripture - 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.

Thanks be to God.

Scripture:
Each week we read from the Bible – the book of God's love. Its words can inspire you, comfort you, teach you, and challenge you to be your best self – a true servant of God.

Faith Like a Child

*Passing the Peace

*Hymn - There Are Many Ways of Sharing

There are many ways of sharing, but God's Spirit gives each one.
There are different ways of caring; it's one Lord whose work is done.
God, whose gifts are overflowing, may we hear you when you call;
Keep us serving, keep us growing for the common good of all.

We've been baptized in the waters! We've been given work to do.
When you call your sons and daughters, You give gifts for serving you.
God, we join in celebration of the talents you impart.
Bless each baptized one's vocation; give each one a servant's heart.

All are blest by gifts you give us; some are set apart to lead.
Give us Jesus' love within us as we care for those in need.
Give us faith to make decisions; give us joy to share your Word.
Give us unity and vision as we serve your church and world.

You can listen as the scripture is read, or ...
Find a Bible nearby, look up the scripture, and follow along.

Sermon Snips:
You don't have to "just
sit there." Choose one of
the sermon snips and let
it guide you as you take
your relationship with
God to the next level.



If the sermon is about
a Bible hero, think of the
person in your life who is
most like that hero. Write
about that person, or
make an illustration.



Listen. What is
something you hear
that gives you a
sense of wonder?
Of peace? Of hope?



Use What God
Has Given You



MOST SERMONS
CONTAIN A SERIES OF
STORIES. NUMBER EACH
STORY AND DRAW AN
EMOJI FOR HOW THAT
STORY MADE YOU FEEL.



Did the sermon
Remind you of a
story from your
life? Write about
that story...
OR Illustrate it.



Pastoral Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name.

The Lord's Prayer

Find the Prayer Cross
in your worship kit.
The cord has five knots,
and there are five parts
to the prayer Jesus
taught his friends.
Hold each knot
between your thumb
and forefinger as you
say the different
parts of the prayer.

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.
Amen.

Many years
after Jesus went
to heaven, the
early church
added this part
of the prayer.
Hold the prayer
cross close to
your heart as
you say this part.

A Time of Giving

Offertory — O, Lord, Where?
C. D. Grant, composer

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

WE RESPOND

*Invitation to Christian Discipleship

*Hymn — O God Our Creator, You Work Every Day

O God our Creator, You work every day:
A potter, You form us — Your people — like clay.
A shepherd, You guide us and seek out the lost.
A parent, You love us, not counting the cost.

Christ Jesus, how rough were your hard-working hands!
You labored among us; our God understands!
Bless workers who struggle, their families to feed;
Bless those who face hardship, **oppression**, or greed.

Oppression means
being unfairly
treated or
controlled for a
long time.

Lord, some live among us who need constant care,
Whose work is to make us more humbly aware.
They teach us the best of Your lessons, by far:
It's not what we do, Lord, You love who we are!

We're baptized! Your Spirit gives new work to do,
That we, through our serving, may glorify You.
Each person's vocation, each calling, has worth
As You send us out to bring Christ's love on earth.

*Benediction

Our gathering will soon be ended, where will we go, and what will we do?
We will go out to be God's people in the world.
May grace, peace, hope, love, and joy forever accompany you. Amen.

How are you going
to be one of God's
people in the world
this week?

*Congregational Closing Song – Let There Be Peace On Earth

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God our Creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now,
With every breath I take let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

*Postlude – A Place in the Choir

Bill Staines, composer

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in loving memory of Mary Louise Ware Koslow and Alline Louise Rogers by Rosalin Rogers.

The white carnation symbolizes our sympathy to the family and friends of Carol Griesbach.

Worship Leaders:

Dr. Tim Bruster, Senior Pastor

Mrs. Peggy Graff, Associate Director of Music & Worship Arts

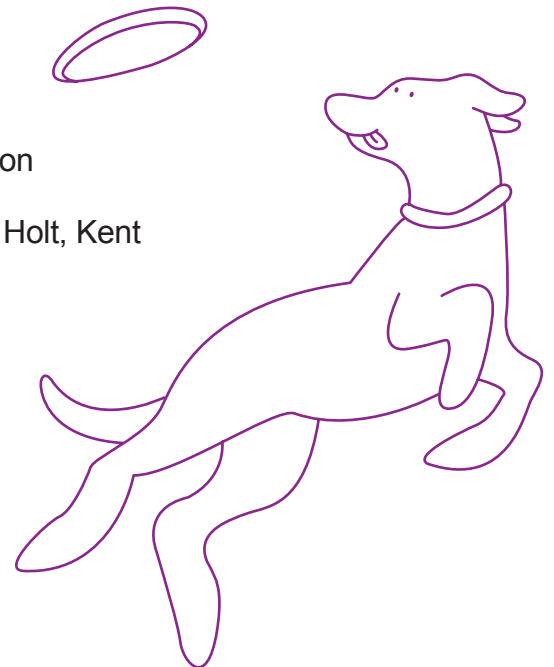
Liturgists: Rev. Linda McDermott, Dr. Mike Marshall, Mr. Roy Eaton

Faith Like a Child: Mr. Chris Rathburn; Lylah Mills, helper

Choir: Crossroad Singers; David Grant, Director; Trish Hill, Justin Holt, Kent Kilbourne, Jeff Siewert, Tracey Smith, Ron White

Procession: Ella Bolger

**Please stand as you are able.*



WORSHIP KIT

↪ INSIDE YOU WILL FIND ↪

TREASURES OF NATURE BOX

One of the best ways we can experience God's power and love is by cherishing God's handiwork in the wonders of nature. Carefully open the box and discover what treasures wait inside.

BLANK CARD

You can use the pencil and crayons to make a *Thank You* note for someone in the Sanctuary who helped make worship feel special to you. It could be a parent, a minister, a choir member, an usher, or someone in the next pew who gave you a friendly wave. After the service, ask your parents to take you to hand-deliver the card.

ANOINTING BALM

Use the anointing balm to bless a friend or family member sitting next to you. Rub a tiny bit of the balm on your thumb and trace the sign of the cross on your neighbor's forehead or back of the hand (whichever they prefer). As you do this, say a simple blessing, such as "God bless you." (It's not just for sneezes.) Or, for a longer blessing, you could say:

*You are a special person.
God loves you, and so do I.
Bless you.*

And don't forget to allow your neighbor the privilege of getting to bless you.

PIPE STEMS

There are so many things you can do with pipe stems. You could:

- Listen to the sermon and sculpt an object you hear mentioned.
- Shape them in the initials of someone you'd like to pray for.
- Look around the Sanctuary and sculpt something you see.
- Sculpt a flower and give it to a family member.
- Make a friendship bracelet and give it to a friend, or to a new member.

PRAYER CROSS

The cross is such a powerful symbol of God's love and hope. Anytime is a good time to hold on to the cross. See inside the bulletin for how to use the prayer cross during the Lord's Prayer.

TANGLE

Listen to a piece of music or a Bible story and mold the tangle to show how it makes you feel. Does it make you feel:

- Open and ready for God's presence?
- Tangled and confused?
- Wrapped snugly and securely?
- Calm like a gentle stream?
- Not sure?

PENCIL AND CRAYONS

Use these to write notes in your bulletin, draw a prayer, illustrate a story you hear in the sermon, or even ask hard questions.

CLOTH FIGURE

Here are just a few things you can do with the cloth figure:

- Have it act out the events in the Bible story.
- Help it read the bulletin.
- Gently hold it the way God is holding you right now.

EYE SPY CARD AND TELESCOPE

Use the Eye Spy card to identify some of the many meaningful objects and symbols in our Sanctuary. Use the telescope to help you explore.

