



"I Will Be a Bucket Filler Today"  
DR. Mike Marshall  
Psalm 51:1, 6-8, 10, 15

Traditional Worship  
11:00 am  
November 25, 2018

## WE GATHER

Prelude — My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker  
Johann Christoph Bach, arranger

Welcome

Choral Call to Worship

### \*Call to Worship (based on Isaiah 12)

Leader: Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid,

**People: for the LORD GOD is my strength and my might;  
the Lord has become my salvation.**

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

And you will say in that day:

**Give thanks to the LORD, call on God's name;**

Sing praises to the LORD, for God has done gloriously;  
let this be known in all the earth.

**Shout aloud and sing for joy, for great in Your midst is  
the Holy One.**

### \*Hymn 578 — God of Love and God of Power

**God of love and God of power, grant us in this burning hour  
grace to ask these gifts of thee, daring hearts and spirits free.**

**Refrain — God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.**

**We are not the first to be banished by our fears from thee;  
give us courage, let us hear heaven's trumpets ringing clear.**

**Refrain**

**All our lives belong to thee, thou our final loyalty;  
slaves are we where'er we share that devotion anywhere.**

**Refrain**

**God of love and God of power, make us worthy of this hour;  
offering lives if it's thy will, keeping free our spirits still.**

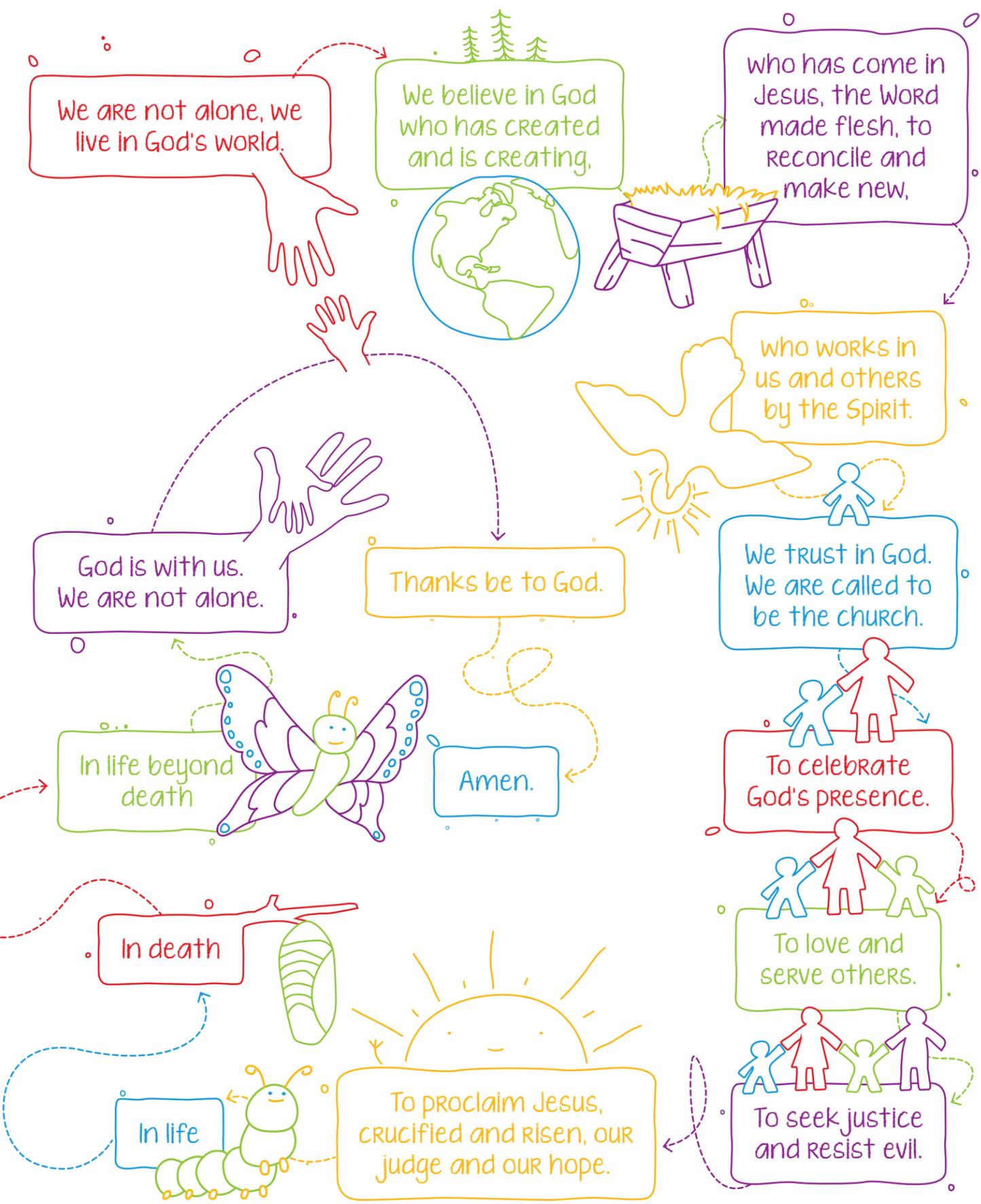
**Refrain**

Word of the Day:  
Fill

Memory Verse:  
Fill me with joy  
and celebration  
again.  
—Psalm 51:8

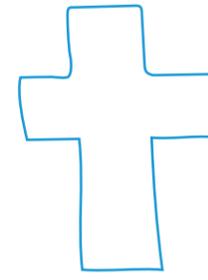
Given our nation's history, it's practically impossible for us to imagine the word "slave" used in a hymn as a positive word. What the hymn writer was trying to say is that when our hearts are always truly open to following God's call for us, then we know we belong completely to God. Our loving God is in complete control. That said, I still don't like the word "slave" being used as a positive. What word or words could we sing instead?

# \*Affirmation of Faith



## \*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 — Psalm 51:1, 6-8, 10, 15  
 God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.  
 Thanks be to God.

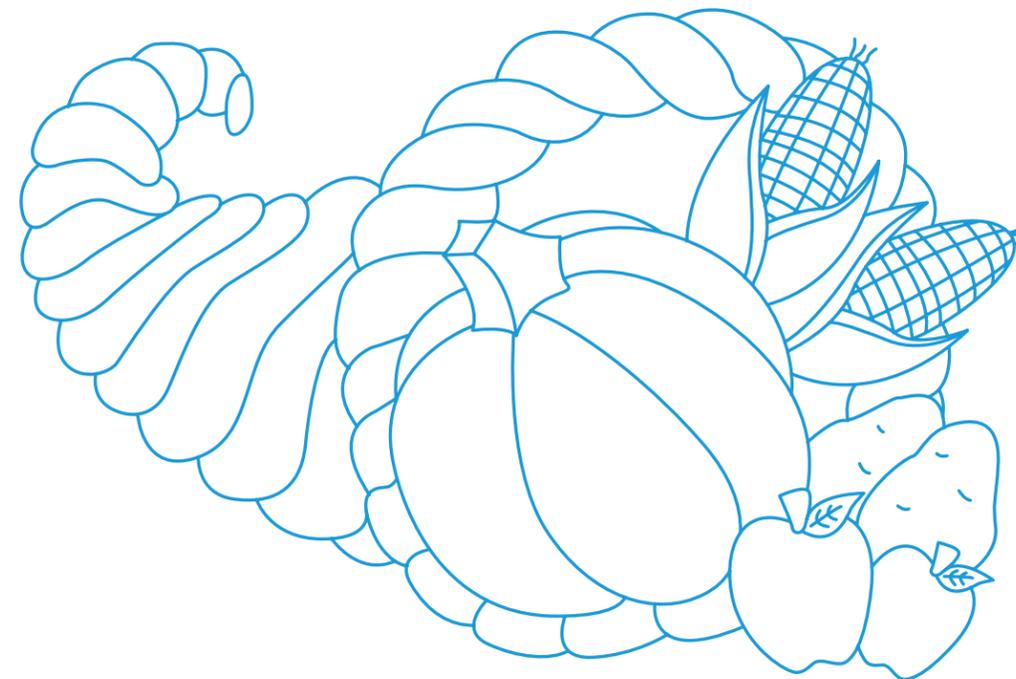
Faith Like a Child

\*Passing the Peace

Special Music — Create in Me a Clean Heart  
 Victor Johnson, arranger

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.

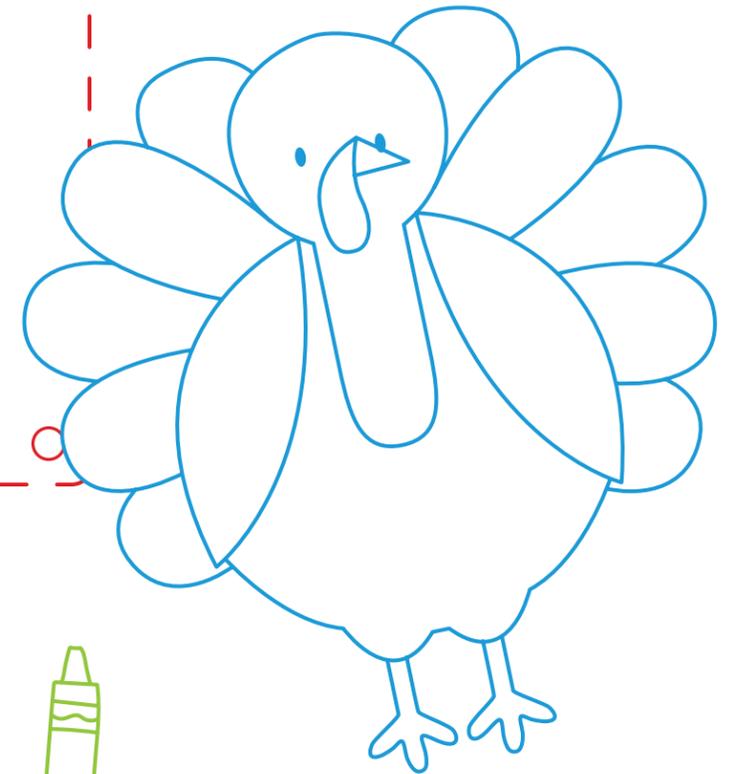
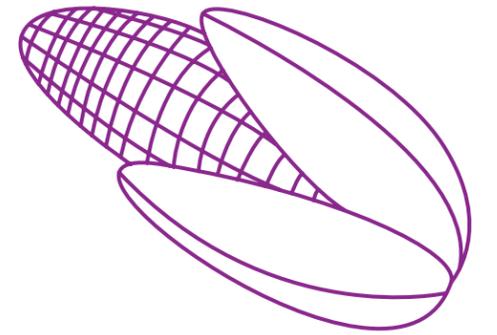
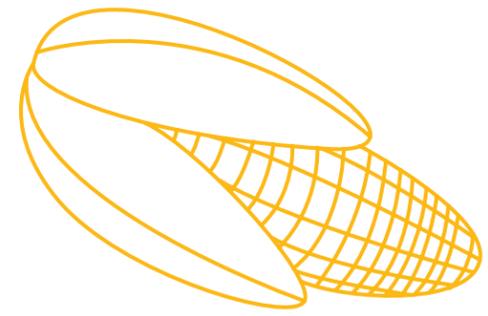
You can listen as the scripture is read, or... Find a Bible nearby, look up the scripture, and follow along.



What are you thankful for? Take some time to draw or write about someone that you are thankful for.



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# WE RESPOND

## Pastoral Prayer

### The Lord's Prayer

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.  
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

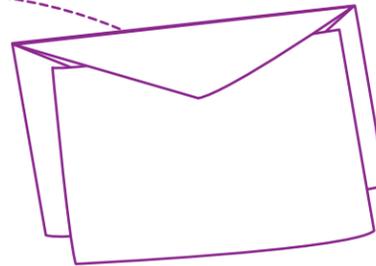
### Offertory — One Faith, One Hope, One Lord

Thomas Feltke, composer

Find the offering envelope in your worship kit. Write your first and last name on the envelope, then put in the money you plan to give to the church. Place the **envelope** in the offering plate. Every dollar makes a difference!

### \*Doxology 95

**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.**



### \*Invitation to Christian Discipleship

### \*Hymn — O God, Be Merciful to Me

Sung to O God, Our Help in Ages Past

**O God, be merciful to me because Your love is strong;  
Now wash me from iniquity and cleanse me from all wrong.**

**These words are old, but still they live within our hearts today.  
We cry to You: "O God, forgive!" and "Wash our sins away!"**

**I try to make it on my own as if I'm all I need,  
Until I find I'm all alone, wrapped up in pride and greed.**

**Yet this is not the final word, for You forgive our sin!  
When we return to you, O Lord, You give us joy again.**

### \*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.

### \*Congregational Closing — 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 — How Firm a Foundation

Charles Callahan, arranger

**The flowers in the Sanctuary** are given in loving memory of Amon G. Carter, Jr., son George Riley Carter and parents, Mr. & Mrs. George R. Brown, Jr. by George Ann Carter Bahan.

**The white carnation** symbolizes our sympathy to the family and friends of Patty Grubb.

### Worship Leaders:

Sermon, Dr. Mike Marshall, Associate Pastor

**Liturgists:** Rev. Phyllis Barren, Rev. Carol Roberts

**Faith Like a Child:** Mister Mark, Henry Holman, helper

**Choir:** Choral Union

Mr. Robert Stovall, Director of Music and Worship Arts

Mrs. Peggy Graff, Organist/Associate Director of Music and Worship Arts

**Soloists:** Ms. Alison Haygood, Mrs. Mary Grim, Mr. Hans Grim,

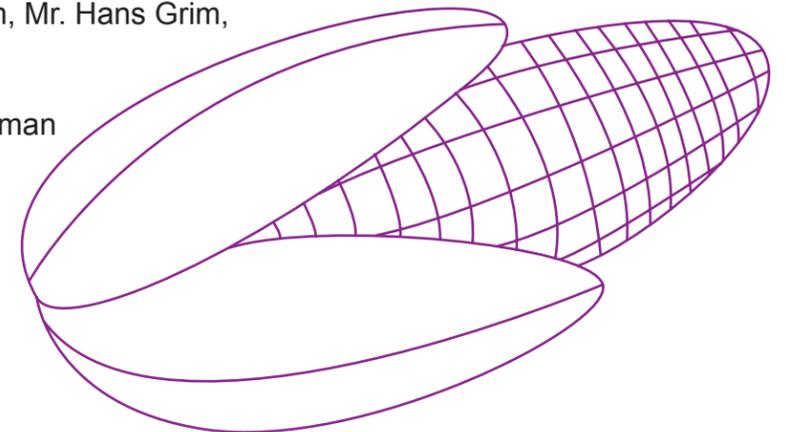
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**Acolytes:** Jack Greer

**Procession:** Edward Holman and George Holman

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

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



# 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.

