



## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 30, 2020 – 11:00 a.m.

### THE GATHERING

#### HYMN SING

The Congregation

*Unclouded Day*

Steve Taylor, violin; Michael Schroeder, mandolin; Marsha Roberts, piano

*#837 What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine*

**What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

*#375 Shall We Gather at the River* (Led by soloist: Christina Recktenwald)

**Shall we gather at the river, where bright angels feet have trod,  
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God.  
Yes, we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,  
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.**

*#465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

**What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit; O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!**

*#675 How Great Thou Art* (Led by soloist: Jason Steigerwalt)

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, How great Thou art!**

*#839 Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine*

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.  
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.**



all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

**ANTHEM**

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

Mack Wilberg

My shepherd will supply my need,  
Jehovah is His name.  
In pastures fresh he makes me feed  
Beside the living stream.  
He brings my wand'ring spirit back  
When I forsake his ways,  
And leads for his mercy's sake  
In paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of  
death, Thy presence is my stay.  
One word of thy supporting breath  
Drives all my fears away.  
Thy hand in sight of all my foes  
Doth still my table spread.  
My cup with blessings overflows;  
Thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God  
Attend me all my days.  
Oh, may thy house be mine abode  
And all my work be praise.  
There would I find a settled rest  
While others go and come.  
No more a stranger nor a guest  
But like a child at home

**LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

Presentation of Bibles

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** *(Read responsively)*

“God of grace, **hear our 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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**THE SENDING**

**\*HYMN 275**

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

EIN' FESTE BURG

Stanzas 1, 2, and 4

*Hymn can be found on page 7 and 8 of bulletin*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Foundation*

Wilbur Held

Marsha Roberts, organ

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## IN WORSHIP TODAY

**SERMON SERIES** - Today we continue our new six-week series “*Stories I thought I knew...*” by revisiting the story of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in Daniel 3. Most of us have grown up having practically memorized the scriptural stories in the Old and New Testaments (some of us from felt boards, others from “Veggie Tales”). We will explore with new eyes these rich stories of our faith and learn how our new understanding can inform how we live our commitment to God. Many thanks to May and Bebe Davis for helping us remember the story of Noah. This week, we are thankful for Evie, Nolan, William, Elizabeth, and Brandon Hughes for recounting the story today.

**BIBLE PRESENTATIONS** - This morning we present our 3 year olds with their first Bible and welcome them to Sunday School. During this time we will also be presenting our 4th graders with their Bible and welcoming them to Club 45.

### OUR MUSIC AND PRODUCTION

Marsha Williams Roberts, organist; The Octet of the Sanctuary Choir; Michael Schroeder, mandolin; Steve Taylor, violin.

Evan Vicic, audio/video technician; Elder Nicholas Moloney, video; Virginia Fortner, editing.

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### WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Charles Bond and his family on the death of his brother, Rob Bond.

Jason Cook, Lindsey Cook, and their family on the death of Jason’s grandmother, Jeanette Wilson, 8/19/20

Don Smith, Sr., Don Smith, Jr., and their family on the death of wife and mother Marian Smith, 8/10/20.

Eric Lehmann and his family on the death of his sister, Donna Metzler, 7/29/20.

Louise Seiler and her family on the death of Louise’s sister, Betty Lette, 7/16/20.

Rick Farrow on the death of his mother, 7/13/20, and brother, 7/13/20.

Ricky Case and his family on the death of his father, Richard Case, 7/10/20.

The family of Beverly Wagner on her death, 7/5/20.

### THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor

Rev. Nathan Sautter, Assoc. Pastor for  
Community Life

Rev. Jordan Akin, Assoc. Pastor for Youth

Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Music Ministries

Lorie Williamson, Director of Children’s Ministries

Hayley Abell, Director of Weekday School

Christina Recktenwald, Children’s Choirs Coord.

Ricky Case, Children’s Choirs Coord.

Elizabeth Clay, Parish Associate

## 41 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!  
 2 O tell of God's might; O sing of God's grace,  
 3 The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,  
 4 Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?  
 5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

O grate - ful - ly sing God's power and God's love:  
 whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space,  
 Al - might - y, your power has found - ed of old;  
 It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;  
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;

our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,  
 whose char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form;  
 es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,  
 it streams from the hills; it de - scends to the plain,  
 your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,

pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
 and bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.  
 and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.  
 our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend.

Addressing the first two stanzas to the singers of the hymn and the last three to God, this free paraphrase of Psalm 104 recasts the psalmist's imagery with baroque verve. Though it was first published in England, the tune has been more popular in North America than there.

## 463 How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,  
 3 "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
 4 "When through fiery trials thy path-way shall lie,  
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!  
 for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
 the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;  
 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;  
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,  
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 for I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.  
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

It seems odd now to think of singing this text to ADESTE FIDELES, but mainline churches did so well into the 20th century because of a cultural bias against shape note music. The vigor of the present tune seems especially right for the final line's reference to Hebrews 13:5.

# 275 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul-wark nev - er  
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be  
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -  
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -

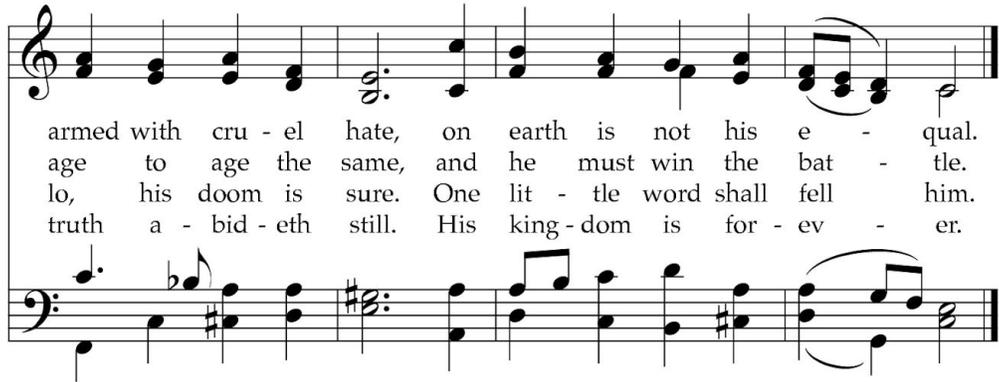
fail - ing. Our help - er he, a - mid the flood of  
 los - ing, were not the right man on our side, the  
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his  
 bid - eth. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours through

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth  
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ  
 truth to tri - umph through us. The Prince of Dark - ness grim, we  
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this

seek to work us woe. His craft and power are great, and  
 Je - sus, it is he. Lord Sab - a - oth his name, from  
 trem - ble not for him. His rage we can en - dure, for  
 mor - tal life al - so. The bod - y they may kill; God's

Long before Isaac Watts began to Christianize the Psalms, Martin Luther had already done so when he created the text and tune for this, his most famous hymn, which is based on Psalm 46. Luther encouraged metrical versions of psalms as well as chanted psalms and new hymns.

JESUS CHRIST: ASCENSION AND REIGN



armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.  
age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.  
lo, his doom is sure. One lit - tle word shall fell him.  
truth a - bid - eth still. His king - dom is for - ev - er.