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Announcements

Save the Date! Celebrate 100 years as a Congregation

Join us at John Knox Center April 28-30 as we continue to celebrate our 100 years as a congregation, we will gather at John Knox Center during the weekend of **April 28-30!** Click the link in the Weekly Word or the Newsletter tab on the website for more info.



January 22, 2023

Prelude – “What A Friend We Have In Jesus”

Krista Heilmeier & Jeana Partin

Word of Welcome

Andy Morgan

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 27:1)

Lyn Oakley

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

All: The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Leader: We gather in the presence of God. Let us open our hearts and minds in worship.

****Hymn #11 – Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing***

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise His name I'm fixed upon it Name of God's redeeming love.

Hitherto Thy love has blest me; Thou hast brought me to this place;
And I know Thy hand will bring me safely home by Thy good grace
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, Bo't me with His precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee:
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above.

Ritual of Friendship

Andy Morgan

*Members and Guests – Please sign and pass the friendship register
located on the center aisle under the pew in front*

Call to Confession

Lyn Oakley

Leader: Let us pause here to confess the sins that have kept us from recognizing and enjoying God's presence.

Prayer of Confession

Lyn Oakley

All: Gracious God, when despair and suffering overwhelm us, we cry out for you and feel abandoned. We doubt your presence and your promises. We believe you have turned away from us in anger. We ask why you have forsaken us. In these moments, strengthen us in faith and fill our hearts with courage. We believe, God. Help our unbelief. Amen.

(Time for Silent Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Lyn Oakley

Leader: “The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.” Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

****Gloria Patri***

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.***

****Passing the Peace***

Lyn Oakley

Leader: God’s love for us is the foundation of our lives as people and as a people. Let us respond to this love my sharing it with one another, assured of God’s everlasting love in our lives and in our midst. The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you!

Prayer of Illumination

Lyn Oakley

All: God of epiphanies, you reveal yourself to us in diverse and numerous ways. Free us the distractions that turn our focus away from you and your Word. Open us to the truth you reveal to us today. Amen.

Epistle Reading – 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Lyn Oakley

Gospel Reading - Matthew 4:12-23

Lyn Oakley

Special Music – “There is a Savior”

Krista Heilmeyer & Jeana Partin

Psalm Reading – Psalm 27:1, 4-9

Andy Morgan

Sermon - Greater than the Sun

Andy Morgan

****Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles Creed***

Andy Morgan

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell, the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

****Hymn #705 – “It Is Well With My Soul”***

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain:

It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate, And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!— My sin, not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend, Even so, it is well with my soul.

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

Lyn Oakley

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 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

Invitation to the Offering

Lyn Oakley

Leader: Let us return a portion of the gifts we have been given to Christ’s ministry and those most in need.

Offertory – “How Great Thou Art”

Krista Heilmeyer & Jeana Partin

****Doxology***

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost**

****Prayer of Dedication***

Lyn Oakley

Leader: Holy God, we present these offerings to you in faith. We trust that you will bless and use them to further Christ’s ministry and serve those in need. May these gifts bless those we know who are suffering and those known only to you. Amen.

****Hymn – My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep from Singing)***

My life flows on in endless song, above earth’s lamentation.
I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

Refrain:

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I’m clinging.
Since Love is lord of heav’n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? *[Refrain]*

What though my joys and comforts die, I know my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth. *[Refrain]*

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing? *[Refrain]*

****Charge***

Lyn Oakley

Leader: Your heart beckons you to “Come! To seek God’s face!” Let us listen to the needs of our heart and leave this house of worship ready to seek, find and follow our Savior.

****Benediction***

Andy Morgan

Postlude – “Crown Him With Many Crowns”

Krista Heilmeyer & Jeana Partin