

9:30 am

November 24, 2019

WE COME TO WORSHIP THE LIVING LORD

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Introit

(At the sound of the music, the congregation begins the discipline of silent prayer, so all might prepare their hearts and minds for the divine service.)

Call To Worship

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

*Prayer of Adoration

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

*Processional Hymn 142

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

WE TURN FROM SIN AND SEEK HOLINESS

Call to Confession

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Prayer of Confession (unison)

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Merciful God,
we confess that 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 and soul
and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy,
forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.
This we ask in Christ Jesus' Name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

The Rev. Ms. Craven

*Gloria Patri

No. 579

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.

Children Grade 1-6 will be dismissed to Church School at this time. Church School teachers will be at the rear sanctuary doors to escort your child to Witherspoon Center. Children may be picked up by their parents in Witherspoon, located in the rear parking lot, at 10:40am.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S HOLY WORD

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

(Adapted from the Reformed liturgy of Strasbourg by Martin Bucer (about 1540))

**Almighty and ever gracious God,
since all our salvation depends upon your holy Word:
therefore grant that our hearts
may be set free from worldly things,
so that we may with all diligence and faith hear your Word,
rightly understand your gracious will,
and in all sincerity live according to the same,
to your praise and glory; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 105:1-6

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.
**Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.**

Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
**Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his presence continually.**

Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,
**O offspring of his servant Abraham,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.**

Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 32:22-31

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

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New Testament Lesson

Luke 18:1-8

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Thanks be to God!

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Sermon

Persistent Prayer.....Prayerful Persistence

The Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Faulkner

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S VOICE

*Hymn of Response 379

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

*Profession of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

**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**

again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on 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.

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S FAITHFULNESS
BY OFFERING OUR RESOURCES AND OUR THANKS**

Call to Present Our Offerings to the Lord

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Offertory

Gloria

arr. David Elbridge Stockwell

We sing Glory to the Father. We sing Glory to the Son.
We sing Glory to the Spirit Eternal Three in One!
As it was in the beginning they greatness we adore.
Is now and ever shall be for now and evermore!
We praise you Lord Jesus Christ, most Holy is your name!
We bow down to worship You, the Lamb that was slain.
We're children of Almighty God forever shall He reign!
May his Spirit now rest on us, empower us again.

***Doxology**

No. 592

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Rev. Ms. Craven

WE GO FORTH TO PRAY AND SERVE

***Sending Hymn 554**

Let All Things Now Living

***Charge and Pastoral Benediction**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

(The congregation will please be seated.)

Choral Response

May the Grace of God Go With You

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May the grace of God go with you, may the love of Christ surround you,
may God's mighty angels guard and give you peace.
May God's pardon release you, may the Spirit enfold you,
may God's mighty angels guard and give you peace.
Amen.

Silent Prayer

Postlude

*Those who are able may stand.