

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

AUGUST 1, 2021

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WELCOME

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Vater unser im Himmelreich
Our Father in Heaven

Johann Sebastian Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in the presence of Christ.

We gather, hungry and needy.

In this holy place, nothing and no one will be left behind.

The bread will be shared. The food multiplied.

All will be filled. All will be satisfied.

Miracles abound. Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Here in This Place

GATHER US IN

Here in this place the new light is streaming; now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young; our lives are a mystery. We are the old who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history, called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in, the rich and the haughty; gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly; give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water; here we will take the bread of new birth.
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion; give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away:
here in this place the new light is shining; now is the kingdom, and now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever; gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

CONFESSING OUR SIN

God of grace, the world's problems test our faith. We don't believe all the hungry people can be fed. We don't trust your promise to provide. We don't jump to help when you seek to perform miracles. We make excuses for our sins and deny our complicity. Forgive us, Holy God, and free us to serve and not impede our liberating work.

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

JOYFUL RESPONSE

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

ALLELUIA NO. 1

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.

He is the King of creation. (*Refrain*)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tom Evans

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 3:14-21

MUSICAL OFFERING

GOSPEL READING

John 6:1-15, 26-35

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SERMON

Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

HYMN*Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*

QUEBEC

Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts, thou fount of life, thou light of all,
from the best bliss that earth imparts we turn, unfilled, to heed thy call.

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood; thou savest those that on thee call;
to them that seek thee thou art good, to them that find thee, all in all.

We taste thee, O thou living bread, and long to feast upon thee still;
we drink of thee, the fountainhead, and thirst our souls from thee to fill.

Our restless spirits yearn for thee, where'er our changeful lot is cast,
glad when thy gracious smile we see, blest when our faith can hold thee fast.

O Jesus, ever with us stay; make all our moments calm and bright.

O chase the night of sin away; shed o'er the world thy holy light.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S CHURCH, COMMUNITY AND WORLD**OFFERING OUR GIFTS****Offertory Response***For the Fruit of All Creation*

AR HYD Y NOS

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.

For the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.

For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.

Prayer of Dedication**THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER****Invitation****Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise you, Holy God, for hearing your people's cries of pain...

... We pray this all in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray together, saying:

**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.**

Prayer after Communion**HYMN***Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

AUSTRIAN HYMN

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God.

God, whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for a blest abode.

On the rock of ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?

With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near.

Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,
safe they feed upon the manna which God gives them when they pray.

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove.

Who can faint while such a river ever flows, their thirst to assuage?

Grace, so like the Lord the giver, never fails from age to age.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

Fugue in F Major

Vincent Lübeck



Notes on Today's Music

The setting for the Opening Voluntary was composed by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750). It is from the *Orgelbüchlein* (Little Organ Book), a set of 46 chorale preludes for organ.

They are intended as introductions for the hymn to be sung. Bach originally planned for a collection of 164 settings of existing Lutheran chorale tunes sung during the Church year so that each part of the year was represented. The *Orgelbüchlein* was also intended as a pedagogical exercise to demonstrate the many various means to compose hymn preludes. It is regarded by Bach scholars as one of the composer's most important achievements and by organ scholars as a milestone in the development of the chorale.

The text and music for "Here in This Place" were created by Marty Haugen (b. 1950) in 1979. It was first published in *Gather Us In* (Chicago, 1983). It is clearly a corporate prayer to God on behalf of a diverse congregation who have assembled for worship, longing to be transformed and used as God's witnesses and for God's purposes.

The text for "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" was written by John Newton (1725-1807) for Easter Sunday, April 16, 1775. It might seem a strange text for that day, but by Newton's perspective "Zion" depicts the Church Temporal and the Church Triumphant. It was first published in *Olney Hymns* (London, 1779).

The music was composed by Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809). After visiting England in the 1790s, he was impressed by the emotional power exerted by the English national anthem "God Save the King". Returning to Austria, he set out with a noted poet, Lorenz Haschka (1749-1827) to create a national anthem for his country.

The Benediction in Music was composed by Vincent Lübeck (1654 –1740), a German composer and organist. He was born in Padingbüttel and worked as organist and composer at Stade's St. Cosmae et Damiani (1675–1702) and Hamburg's famous St. Nikolai (1702–1740). He enjoyed a remarkably high reputation in his lifetime. Despite Lübeck's longevity and fame, very few compositions by him survive: a handful of organ praeludia and chorales in the North German style, a few cantatas and several pieces for harpsichord, some of which were published during the composer's lifetime. Of his works, the organ pieces are the most important.