

October 15, 2017

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Greeting

God is good.

All the time.

And all the time.

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Call To Worship

Rejoice in our God always;

we will shout, and we will sing and rejoice!

Let us worship God.

***Hymn #681 This Is The Day The Lord Hath Made**

1. This is the day the Lord hath made;

the hours are all God's own.

**Let heaven rejoice; let earth be glad,
and praise surround the throne.**

2. Hosanna to the anointed King,

to David's holy Son!

**Help us, O Lord; descend and bring
salvation from the throne.**

3. Blest be the Lord, who comes in power

with messages of grace,

who comes in this accepted hour

to save our sinful race.

4. Hosanna in the highest strains

the church on earth can raise!

The highest heavens in which God reigns

shall now resound with praise.

***Call to Confession**

***Confession of Sin**

Remember us, O God, when you show favor to your people. Deliver us from our sins, for we and our ancestors have sinned against you. We have committed iniquities. We have failed to consider your wonderful works. We have forgotten abundance and steadfast love. We have put you to the test. Forgive us, God. Amen.

***Words of Grace**

Hear and believe the good news! In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

***The Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you. (A sign of peace is exchanged.)

***Response: Hymn #547 Go, My Children, With My Blessing vs 2**

**“Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Here you heard my dear Son’s story;
 here you touched him, saw his glory.
 Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”**

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**Prayer for Illumination****First reading: Matthew 22:1-14**

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The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God

Children's Chat

Rita Boyer

Second reading: Exodus 32:1-14

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Sermon*Seeking Assurance*

Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD***Hymn #415 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy**

**1. Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
 weak and wounded, sick and sore;
 Jesus ready stands to save you,
 full of pity, love, and power.**

Refrain:

**I will arise and go to Jesus;
 he will embrace me in his arms.
 In the arms of my dear Savior,
 O there are ten thousand charms.**

**2. Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome;
 God's free bounty glorify,
 true belief and true repentance,
 every grace that brings you nigh. (Refrain)**

**3. Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
 lost and ruined by the fall;
 if you tarry till you're better,
 you will never come at all. (Refrain)**

**4. Let not conscience make you linger,
 nor of fitness fondly dream;
 all the fitness he requireth
 is to feel your need of him. (Refrain)**

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

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth 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 Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People**Offering**

Musical Offering

Somebody's Knocking at Your Door
 Chancel Choir

arr. Raymond Wise

***Praise God (Hymn #608)**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise Christ, all people here below;
 praise Holy Spirit evermore;
 praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

***Prayer of Dedication and Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SENDING OUT IN GOD'S NAME

Sending the Church into Mission

The Mission of Prospect Church

To be a family in Christ reaching out to all with love, prayer, and service. Through worship, education, mission, and fellowship, we experience God's love, forgiveness, grace, and call.

***Hymn #739 O For A Closer Walk With God**

**1. O for a closer walk with God,
a calm and heavenly frame,
a light to shine upon the road
that leads me to the Lamb!**

**2. Return, O holy Dove, return,
sweet messenger of rest!
I hate the sins that made thee mourn
and drove thee from my breast.**

**3. The dearest idol I have known,
whate'er that idol be,
help me to tear it from thy throne,
and worship only thee.**

**4. So shall my walk be close with God,
calm and serene my frame;
so purer light shall mark the road
that leads me to the Lamb.**

***Benediction and Congregational Response Hymn #305, "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!" v 2**

**2. Long years have come and gone,
and still God reigns supreme,
empowering us to catch the vision,
dream the dream!**

**In bold accord,
come celebrate the journey now
and praise the Lord!**

Postlude