

**Date: May 13, 2018**

## GATHERING

### Prelude

### Greeting

God is good.  
**All the time.**  
 And all the time.  
**God is good.**

### Call to Worship

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!  
**Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**  
 The word of God is truth.  
**Let us be sanctified in the truth.**  
 Let us worship God.

### \*Hymn #275 A Mighty Fortress

**1. A mighty fortress is our God,  
 a bulwark never failing,  
 Our helper he, amid the flood  
 of mortal ills prevailing.  
 For still our ancient foe  
 doth seek to work us woe.  
 His craft and power are great,  
 and armed with cruel hate,  
 on earth is not his equal.**

**2. Did we in our own strength confide,  
 our striving would be losing,  
 were not the right man on our side,  
 the man of God's own choosing.  
 Dost ask who that may be?  
 Christ Jesus, it is he.  
 Lord Sabaoth his name,  
 from age to age the same,  
 and he must win the battle.**

**3. And though this world, with devils filled,  
 should threaten to undo us,  
 we will not fear, for God hath willed  
 his truth to triumph through us.  
 The Prince of Darkness grim,  
 we tremble not for him.  
 His rage we can endure,  
 for lo, his doom is sure.  
 One little word shall fell him.**

**4. That word above all earthly powers,  
 no thanks to them, abideth.  
 The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
 through him who with us sideth.  
 Let goods and kindred go,  
 this mortal life also.  
 The body they may kill;  
 God's truth abideth still.  
 His kingdom is forever.**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

**God, our source of light and life, you lead the way to courage, to kindness, to generosity, and to love. You call us to be your people and to live in community with one another, always moving to our place of wholeness. God, your love makes us whole. Help us to receive your love with open hearts, so that we may become attuned to your will and way. We ask that you strengthen us as your people, gathered to praise and to serve you. Amen.**

**\*The Peace**

Peace be with you.  
And also with you.

**\*Response: #589 Alleluia, Alleluia**

Alleluia, alleluia.  
Alleluia, alleluia.  
Alleluia, alleluia.  
Now the Lord is risen indeed.

Aleluya, aleluya.  
Aleluya, aleluya.  
Aleluya, aleluya.  
El Señor resucitó.

**THE WORD****Prayer for Illumination****First reading: Psalm 31:1-5, 19-34**

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

**Second Reading : Matthew 7:24-27**

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**Sermon***Nailed It*

**By Nick Robertson, Anna Clarke & Alisen Wells  
Prospect's Children's Ensemble**

**\*Hymn #353 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less**

(CHILDREN)

**1. My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.**

Refrain (ALL)

**On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.**

(PULPIT SIDE)

**2. When darkness seems to hide his face,  
I rest on his unchanging grace;  
in every high and stormy gale,  
my anchor holds within the veil. (Refrain)**

(LECTERN SIDE)

**3. His oath, his covenant, his blood  
support me in the whelming flood;  
when all around my soul gives way,  
he then is all my hope and stay. (Refrain)**

(ALL)

**4. When he shall come with trumpet  
sound,  
O may I then in him be found,  
dressed in his righteousness alone,  
faultless to stand before the throne.  
(Refrain)**

**\*A Brief Statement of Faith**

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,**

**healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

**Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world.**

**God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.**

**With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**\*Gloria Patri Hymnal #581**

**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.**

## Prayers of the People

### Offering

Minute for Mothers and Nurturers  
Musical Offering

*How Firm A Foundation*  
Chancel Choir  
Melanie Smith, piano

Elijah Teasley  
arr. Travis Albert

### \*Doxology

### \*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

### 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 #750 Goodness Is Stronger Than Evil (Sing through twice)

**Goodness is stronger than evil;  
love is stronger than hate;  
light is stronger than darkness;  
life is stronger than death.**

**Victory is ours; victory is ours,  
through God who loves us.  
Victory is ours, victory is ours,  
through God who loves us.**

### \*Benediction and Congregational Response

**Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son;  
Endless is the victory, Thou o'er death hast won.**

### Postlude