

Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 1, 2020

10:30am

Prelude

"The Stand"

Joel Houston

You stood before creation, eternity in your hand.
You spoke the earth into motion, my soul now to stand.

You stood before my failure, and carried the cross for my shame.
My sin weighed upon Your shoulders, my soul now to stand.

So what can I say, and what can I do.
But offer this heart, O God, completely to You.

So I'll walk upon salvation, Your Spirit alive in me.
This life to declare Your promise, my soul now to stand.

So I'll stand, with arms high and heart abandoned.
In awe of the One who gave it all, I'll stand.
My soul Lord to You surrendered, All I am is Yours.

Welcome and Invocation

Song

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

Penny Liston

Jesus, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast.
But sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor can the mind recall
A sweeter sound than thy blest name, O Savior of us all.

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek,
To those who fall, how kind thou art! How good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show.
The love of Jesus, what it is none but his loved ones know.

Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be.
Jesus, be thou our glory now, and through eternity.

(TEXT: Latin hymn, 12th cent.; trans. Edward Caswall, 1849, alt. MUSIC: John Bacchus Kykes, 1966, alt.)

Prayer of Confession Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Generous God, Through Christ, you grant us eternal life, and we have access to you. You invite us to bring our concerns, our needs, and our requests before you. Yet all too often we fail to simply ask. We look to our own abilities and resources. We ask others, and we frequently believe you won't help us or can't help us. Forgive us, draw near to us, we pray, and teach us to depend on you in all things. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon...

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel,
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Response to Confession “*Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*” (vs. 1) Penny Liston
Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;

Wean it from earth; through all its pulses move;
Stop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
And make me love thee as I ought to love.

(TEXT: George Croly 1867; MUSIC: Frederick Cook Atkinson, 1870)

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer: 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.

Presentation of Our Gifts and Offerings and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offertory Response (spoken in unison) “*Now Thank We All Our God*” (vs. 3)

All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:
The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
The God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

(TEXT: Martin Rinkart, c. 1636; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1858, alt.; MUSIC: Johann Cruger, 1647; harm. Felix Mendelssohn, 1840)

Scripture

Matthew 7:7-11

Message

“*How to Ask*”

Pastor John

“*Seek Ye First*”

Penny Liston

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and you shall find;
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

You shall not live by bread alone, but by every word
That proceeds from the mouth of God. Allelu, alleluia!

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Benediction

Brothers and sisters, as the Church of Jesus Christ, go from this place...
**Knowing Christ, growing in God’s love, and serving as
the Holy Spirit leads.**

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