

Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 8, 2020

10:30am

Prelude

“O Worship the King”

arr. Melody Bober

Welcome and Invocation

Song

“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!” Penny Liston
(verses 1, 3, 5 sung by Penny, **verses 2, 4 read in unison by congregation**)

O worship the King, all glorious above!
O gratefully sing God’s power and God’s love:
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

**O tell of God’s might; O sing of God’s grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
Whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form;
And bright is God’s path on the wings of the storm.**

The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, your power has founded of old;
Established it fast by a changeless decree,
And round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

**Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.**

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

(TEXT: Robert Grant, 1833, alt. MUSIC: Joseph Martin Kraus, 1784, alt.)

Prayer of Confession Prayer of Confession (in unison)

“Keep awake,” you tell us, urging us to watch with expectant hope as we wait for you to reveal yourself in our midst. But, Lord, we grow tired of looking for signs of your presence among us. We grow weary from a steady diet of distressing news and convince ourselves that you are still far off. We are careless with the tasks you expect of us and, so, are not prepared to encounter you. Forgive us for losing heart and losing hope. Sustain us in faith, we pray, and keep us ever watchful so that we might be ready to greet you with joy. 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 7:12-14

Message “*The Golden Rule*” Pastor John

“What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine” Penny Liston
What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

*(Refrain) Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.*

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;
O how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. (Refrain)

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. (Refrain)

(TEXT: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1887, MUSIC: Anthony J. Showalter, 1887)

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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Thanksgiving Eve Service will be held on Wednesday, November 25th, at 7:00pm. This will be an **online only service** on our FaceBook page (click [here](#)). Please plan to join us.

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