

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, July 25, 2021

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Pastorale

Sammartini

SOLO

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly
Bekah Knight, soprano

HOLY MANNA

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Ephesians 3:14-21)

Leader: We bow our knees before the Father, from Whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name.

People: We pray that we may be strengthened in our inner being with power through His Spirit.

Leader: We pray that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith, as we are being rooted and grounded in love.

People: We pray that we may have the power to comprehend the breadth and length and height and depth of God's love.

Leader: We pray to know that love of Christ which surpasses knowledge.

People: We pray to be filled with all the fullness of God.

Leader: Now to Him Who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine,

People: To Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God: we confess our sinfulness. We have harbored unclean and selfish desires; we have spoken thoughtless and cruel words; we have done things which brought pain to others; and we have not done enough to lighten our neighbors' load. Heavenly Father, forgive our sinfulness. Open our hearts and minds to You, that we may live in harmony with Your will and receive the gifts of Your Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

ANTHEM SOLO

Be Still, My Soul
Bekah Knight, soprano

FINLANDIA

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
SCRIPTURE

John 6:1-15

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God.

SERMON

"A King Fit for a Feast"

Dr. Curtis Christian

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, 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 AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Postlude on "Es ist das Heil" (Salvation Now Has Come)* arr. Wilson

*Those who are able, please stand

***Late Arrivals Seated

This morning's lay reader is Tom Long.

Solo Text:

All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.

You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.