

*A Celebration of the Life and the Promises  
Of God through Jesus Christ.*



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## **GOD GATHERS US**

The Prelude

Hymns of Faith

The Gathering

The Thanksgiving for Baptism

Hymn

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The Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. *A brief silence is kept.*

Family Remembrances

Amy Johnson, *violin*  
Ashokan Farewell - *comp. Jay Ungar; Arr. Calvin Custer*

## **GOD SPEAKS TO US**

Lesson: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

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Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

The Meditation

Pastor Rob Spicer

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Hymn

*Jesus, Still Lead On*



1 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al-though the  
2 If the way be drear, if the foe be near, let no faith - less  
3 When we seek re - lief from a long - felt grief, when temp - ta - tions  
4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n - ly lead - er,



way be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less;  
fears o'er - take us, let not faith and hope for - sake us;  
come al - lur - ing make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;  
still di - rect us, still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,



guide us by your hand to the prom - ised land.  
safe - ly past the foe to our home we go.  
show us that bright shore where we weep no more.  
till we safe - ly stand in the prom - ised land.

Hymn

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,  
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;  
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,  
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:  
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.  
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.  
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
bears all our years away;  
they fly forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
still be our guard while troubles last  
and our eternal home.

Hymn

**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

1 A might - y for - tress is our God,  
2 No strength of ours can match his might!  
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land  
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide,

a sword and shield vic - to - rious;  
We would be lost, re - ject - ed.  
all threat - 'ning to de - vour us,  
no thanks to foes, who fear it;

he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod  
But now a cham - pion comes to fight,  
we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand;  
for God him - self fights by our side

and wins sal - va - tion glo - rious.  
whom God him - self e - lect - ed.  
they can - not o - ver - pow'r us.  
with weap - ons of the Spir - it.

The old e - vil foe, sworn to work woe,  
Ask who this may be: Lord of hosts is he!  
This world's prince may rage, in fierce war en - gage.  
If they take our house, goods, fame, child, or spouse,

with dread craft and might he arms him - self to fight.  
Christ Je - sus our Lord, God's on - ly Son, a - dored.  
He is doomed to fail; God's judg - ment must pre - vail!  
wrench our life a - way, they can - not win the day.

On earth he has no e - qual.  
He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

The Apostles' Creed:

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.  
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.**

The Prayers of Intercession

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.  
Amen.**

## GOD SENDS US OUT

Blessing

The Commendation

Let us go forth in peace,

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Sending Hymn

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

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Postlude

Hymns of Faith

Officiating: Pastor Rob Spicer  
Organist: Kevin McGill

Hymn

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!  
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,  
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,  
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - jice in thee.  
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!