

The Worship of God

July 29, 2018

David and all the house of Israel were
dancing before the Lord with all their might,
with songs and lyres
and harps and tambourines
and castanets and cymbals.

—2 Samuel 6.5

Gathering at God's Invitation

Music for Gathering

Marietta Mobley *piano*

Christ Candle

C. J. Tillotson

Ministry of Music and Dance

Brent Olstad

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

Rev. Jo Nygard Owens *liturgical dancer*

Renee Fila *flute*, Terri Vancil *vocal soloist*

*O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths,
its flow may richer, fuller be.*

***O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
and feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.***

—George Matheson, 1881

Opening Sentences

Rev. Alan Sherouse

†Responsive Psalm 150

Terri Vancil

Praise ye the Lord, Hal-le-lu-jah!

Ev-ery-bod-y praise the Lord.

†Words of Friendship

Rev. Amy Grizzle Kane

A Time for Children

Christina McCord

Hearing God's Word

Opening of God's Word

Taylor Kirkman

†Congregational Verse

During the congregational verse, children ages four through first grade may attend junior church and return to the sanctuary after the sermon.

Ho-ly words long pre-served for our walk in this world, they re-sound with God's own heart; O let the an-cient words im-part.

An-cient words ev-er true, chang-ing me and chang-ing you;
 we have come with o-pen hearts, O let the an-cient words im-part.

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Prayers of God's People

Dr. Steve Sumerel

Scripture Lesson

Rev. Grizzle Kane

2 Samuel 6.1-5, 12b-19

Sermon

Rev. Sherouse

A King Who Danced

Responding to God's Word

†Hymn of Response 596

MARCHING TO ZION

We're Marching to Zion

Musical Interlude

Scriptural Affirmation

Dr. Sumerel

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith,

as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

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, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

—Ephesians 3.14-21

Choral Offering

Paul Sjolund

Go Forth Into the World in Peace

Summer Choir

*Go forth into the world in peace,
be of good courage, hold fast to that which is good,
render to no one evil for evil.*

*Go forth into the world in love,
strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak,
help the afflicted, honor all people;
love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit,
go forth into the world in peace.*

Sending into God's World

†Benediction

Rev. Sherouse

†Organ Voluntary

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

Caprice sur les Grand Jeux from Suite du Duexieme Ton

Baker Lawrimore Music Ministry Fellow

Guests are warmly welcomed today. There are several ways during the worship hour that we can become better acquainted. During the **Words of Friendship** we will share a personal greeting with those sitting around us. You will find a **Connection Card** in the bulletin that can be filled out and dropped in the offering plate as it is passed in the service. **Ministers** will also be greeting worshippers at each exit door after the service.