October 1, 2023 11:00 a.m.



PRELUDE

All Things Bright and Beautiful

A. Travis

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

CHORAL INTROIT

What Does the Lord Require of You? (J. Strathdee) MOON

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#1 God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

*INVOCATION AND 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: We turn our faces toward You, Lord. You see what we say and what we do.

Many: We invite You into our innermost being.

One: Forgive us when we fool ourselves into believing that You see the exterior only. Many: Forgive us for hiding from Your gaze

because we have lost confidence in Your kindness.

One: Calm our fears, hear our longings, nourish our small attempts to be faithful to You. Many: We invite You into our innermost being. Teach us to live with courageous truthfulness.

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI R. Goodson

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and Ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

ANTHEM

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

arr. J. Rutter

FIRST READING

Philippians 2:1-13 Page 210, 2nd half of NRSV Bible Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#109 O, How I Love Jesus O. HOW I LOVE JESUS

SECOND READING

Matthew 21:23-32 Page 24, 2nd half of NRSV Bible Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON Rev. Craig Traynor

*HYMN OF APPROACH

#694 Come, Let Us Eat

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GATHERING AT THE TABLE

*The Passing of the Peace

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty

from there he shall come to judge

the quick 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.

*catholic means the church universal or the church for all time

The Bread

The Cup

All who seek God and the presence of Christ are welcome to participate

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Offertory

Come, Let Us Eat

F. Ferko Marco Adria

*New Doxology

Let's praise God for each good thing.

All creation, shout and sing!

Praise three Persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

*Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

#97 Meekness and Majesty

G. Kendrick

*THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: And also with you.

*The Sending of the Community

*Congregational Amen

The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God

S. Karg-Elert

*Please stand, as you are able

We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Writing confession prayer - Dr. Joyce Bellous; Scripture Reading - Ken Badley, Twyla Fletcher; Preparation of Communion - Jack Lepine, Twyla Fletcher; Guest Choir Conductor - Gordon Adnams; Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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- FBC Council