

SOUNDING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

Please sign and pass the friendship pad to your neighbor.

PRELUDE Thanksgiving Medley

arr. by Gary Lanier

Mr. Fabio Mann, Trumpet

INTROIT Praise Him, Praise Him

Carey Bonner (1859—1938)

*CALL TO WORSHIP1 Jack Mills

Here we are, in God's house.

It belongs to the Lord and all who are in it belong to him too.

We are in God's city, because God is also outside the doors of our church.

All things belong to God, and to him we give the glory.

All day long, we are with God. Even at night, he watches over us so that we can rest without any worries.

Let us worship the Lord, here in this place, the house that God built!

*HYMN 367

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Hadley Allgood

God, remind us to be thankful that you have created everything we need to live a good and joyful life. Our world is filled with your love for us. In everything we have to eat, in the sun that comes up every morning, in the friends we laugh with and the songs we sing, there is nothing better than your gifts of love. Remind us that you give us the most important things in life. You even gave us your son, Jesus, so that we would never forget how much you love us.

*SILENT PRAYER

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

Jesus loves me, and Jesus loves you. We don't have to be perfect. We will make a lot of mistakes, and Jesus will still love me and you.

Thanks be to God! Amen!

*GLORIA PATRI

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. Amen.

ANTHEM I Give Thanks Toni Sullivan

I give thanks with a grateful heart.

God has given us this world, the moon and stars and sun.

The land and seas, the birds and trees, God's given ev'ry one.

God has given us good friends, our loving fam'lies too.

The people who will share the love that's sent from heav'n above.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Ms. Joy Maple

*HYMN 37 Let All Things Now Living ASH GROVE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Dr. Casto-Waters

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 6:24-34

SERMON

OFFERTORY

The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune

Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872—1958)

All people that on earth do well, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell; Come ye before Him, and rejoice.
The Lord, ye know, is God indeed, without our aid he did us make;
We are his folks, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
O enter then his gates with praise; Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always; For it is seemly so to do.
For why? The Lord our God is good; His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God whom heaven and earth adore,
From men and from the angel host, be praise and glory evermore. Amen.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, thank you for letting us help others. Thank you for helping us, too. We want to use these gifts well, so we will ask you again and again to show us the best way and to help us be the people you ask us to be: kind, loving, generous, and wise. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Boyd Lien

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH2

Hamp Sanders

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silences, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*HYMN 643

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

God Be in My Head

Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875—1947)

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in mine eyes, and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking; God be at mine end, and at my departing.

*All who are able please stand

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¹ based on Psalm 127:1-2

² from A Brief Statement of Faith

Participating in Worship



Preacher Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

> Worship Leaders Rev. Boyd Lien Ms. Joy Maple Jack Mills Hadley Allgood Charles Frantom Hamp Sanders

> > Musicians

Dr. Wayne Lord Mrs. Jenny Davison Mr. Fabio Mann, Trumpet Dr. Clay Stallworth, Piano Chancel Choir Children's Choir Angel Choir

> Acolyte Charles Frantom

Friendship Pad Pick-up Jerry Howington

Ushers

Tennant Houston **John Robbins** Glen Owen

Elliott Woodward Ben Kay, IV Jennifer Pennington

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