# Let Us Worship God!



November 12, 2023-10:30 AM Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost



A Hybrid Worship Experience In-Person and Online Today's worship team-Music Director: Jayne McDonough: Worship Leader: Beverly Mate; Message: Norris Clark: Production: Norris Clark

#### WELCOME!

#### WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

Be involved in doing good, for at the proper time good things will result if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9

So glad you're here today. Enjoy worship with your neighbors and be spiritually energized. Join us in-person in our beautiful, historic Red Brick Church or online: www.coldspringworship.com.

#### WORSHIP PREVIEW

We look forward to Ruling Elder Norris Clark's message titled " All the Loves of Love: Part Two"

#### Music Preview

We will sing three hymns from the Red Hymnal today, #37, #190 and #491.

The opening hymn is Praise to the Lord, the Almighty. Two people who lived nearly 200 years apart are responsible for the lyrics to "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty." Joachim Neander, born in 1650 in Germany, wrote the original lyrics in German, and Catherine Winkworth, born in 1827 in England, translated the words into English.

The hymn after the message will be I Love to Tell the Story, a part of a lengthy fifty-stanza two-part poem, *The Old, Old Story*, written by Katherine Hankey (1834-1911). If you know this old hymn, you may have been captivated by its simplicity as it declares the composer's faith in Jesus. The words, full of evangelistic zeal, carry the hearer to the heart of the gospel.

The closing hymn is Pass It On. Kurt Kaiser provided the background to "Pass It On," one of his most famous songs: "In 1969, Ralph Carmichael and I collaborated on a musical, Tell It Like It Is. It was written to get young people involved in the Church. After reviewing

what we had written, we decided there needed to be a closer, a modern 'Just As I Am' [a hymn by Charlotte Elliott written in 1835. "On a Sunday night I was sitting in our den by the fireplace where there were remnants of a fire, and it occurred to me that it only takes a spark to get a fire going . . . and the rest came very quickly. My wife suggested that I should say something about shouting it from mountain tops, and that ended up in the third verse. It only took about 20 minutes to write the lyrics."

PRELUDE: JAYNE McDonough (10:27)

WELCOME: NORRIS CLARK (10:30

#### CALL TO WORSHIP - RESPONSIVE - BEVERLY MATE

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and God's might, and the wonders that he has done.

The Lord established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which God commanded our ancestors to teach to their children; that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and they in turn would tell their children.

So that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep God's commandments.

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION

Eternal God, you are from everlasting to everlasting. Though the span of human life is brief, you are infinite. Centuries ebb and give way to millennia, yet you are the same. You have been our dwelling place in all generations, our protector in the storms of life. We praise you and we thank you for your boundless mercy that sustains us all of our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# GOD WELCOMES ALL (SING IN UNISON):

God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends.

OPENING HYMN - PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY - RED HYMNAL #37, PLEASE STAND

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
The King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him,
For He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Join me in in glad adoration!

# 2. Praise to the Lord, Who O'er all things

So wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings,
Yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen
how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

- 3. Praise to the Lord, Who doth prosper Thy work and defendeth, Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee, Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, If with His love He befriend thee.
- 4. Praise to the Lord!
  O let all that is in me adore Him!
  All that hath life and breath,
  Come now with praises before Him!
  Let the amen sound from His people again:
  Gladly for all we adore Him.

#### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

As far as the east is from the west, so far does God remove our transgressions from us, says the psalmist. With the assurance of God's healing mercies in our lives, we need not fear confession, but instead come with honesty, seeking wholeness in our own lives, and in the lives of those we may have injured. Let us confess to God those aspects of our lives in need of God's grace, first in unison, and then in silence.

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Holy God, your way for us is clear: We are to live so that the manner of our lives speaks of your goodness, your generosity, your infinite mercy. Too often, though, we forget the purposes for which you made us. Too often, when we might meet inhumanity with the reflection of your goodness, we turn aside. We return unkindness for unkindness. We cling to what might be shared. We avoid those who are not like us. We fail to give grace in the measure we have received it. Forgive us, we pray. Remind us that your goodness is enduring, and your mercy is everlasting, for we pray all these things in the name of our savior, Jesus Christ, Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

#### HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE

(Ephesians 2:8-10)

By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing: it is the gift of

God, not the result of works, so that no one might boast.

For we are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life. Believe the promise of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

#### THE GLORIA, PLEASE STAND

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.

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON)

Let your Word dwell within us richly, O Lord. Let your truth ring as a clarion through the chatter around us. Hold us in this time, that your wisdom may shape us to the depth of our humanity, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

#### FIRST READING: LAMENTATIONS 3:22-32

Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him."

The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him; it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. It is good for a man to bear the yoke while he is young. Let him sit alone in silence, for the Lord has laid it on him. Let him bury his face in the dust—there may yet be hope. Let him offer his cheek to one who would strike him, and let him be filled with disgrace. For no one is cast off by the Lord forever. Though he brings grief, he will show compassion,

#### SECOND READING: I CORINTHIANS 13:1-13

so great is his unfailing love.

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.

If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Message: "All the Loves of Love: Part Two" - Norris Clark

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

MUSIC HYMN: I LOVE TO TELL THE STORY - RED HYMNAL #190 PLEASE STAND

1. I love to tell the story
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory,
Of Jesus and His love,
I love to tell the story
Because I know 'tis true;

It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do. I love to tell the story, 'Twill be my theme in glory, To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love. 2. I love to tell the story, More wonderful it seems Than all the golden fancies Of all our golden dreams. I love to tell the story, It did so much for me; And that is just the reason I tell it now to thee. I love to tell the story, 'Twill be my theme in glory, To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.

3. I love to tell the story,
'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it,
More wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story,
For some have never heard
The message of salvation
From God's own holy Word.
I love to tell the story,

'Twill be my theme in glory, To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.

4. I love to tell the story,
For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting
To hear it like the rest.
And when in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story
That I have loved so long.
I love to tell the story,
'Twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and His love.

#### GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

The abundance of God's providing is evident: This world brims with goodness, amply offered that our needs may be met. From this abundance, we may take what we need. In recognition of what God has provided us, let us worship God with our tithes and offerings.

The Doxology, please stand

(10:58)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise

# God above the heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

Happy birthday to: Amanda Dodd (11/18)

Happy Anniversary: to Dennis & Jayne McDonough



- National Wreaths Across America Day is Saturday, December 16, 2023, forms are in the vestibule to donate a wreath for a veteran's grave site.

Holiday Concert - "Christmas at Cold Spring Church" concert by The Cape Shore Chorus, SAI here in the church on Sunday, December 10, 2023 at 3:00 pm.

#### SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Prayers for: Barbara Cain having tests for medical issues; Alex Scarpetti, 34yrs old & his family after a 10/31 bicycle accident left him in a coma. Kyle & Sarah Matthews expecting twins, only one baby is expected to survive.

Those on hospice care: John Stalford, Bob Fite, Gertrude Hess, Celeste Bashaw.

Those undergoing cancer treatment: Freddie, Jr, Denise, Brian, Gerri Mills, Robin B, Mike, Kim, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Kate, Candy, Donna.

In the Community -

**Prayer** 

#### 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 debts, as we

forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Fresh Expression of Community- Beverly Mate

Once we were strangers,

Now we are neighbors.

Once we were strangers,

Now we are friends.

#### MUSIC: PASS IT ON - RED HYMNAL #491

Verses 1 & 3, please stand

1. It only takes a spark to get a fire going, And soon all those around can warm up in its glowing,

That's how it is with God's love Once you've experienced it; You spread His love to everyone; You want to pass it on.

3. I wish for you, my friend,
This happiness that I've found,
You can depend on Him,
It matters not where you're bound.
I'll shout it from the mountain-top
I want my world to know,
The Lord of love has come to me,

# I want to pass it on

#### **Benediction - Norris Clark**

#### POSTLUDE - JAYNE McDonough

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- 1. God Welcomes All: CCLI Song #549555
- Praise to the Lord, the Almighty: Joachim Neander/Stralsund Gesangbuch; CCLI Song #43073
- 3. Gloria: Public Domain
- 4. I Love to Tell the Story: call : CCLI Song #29413
- 5. *Doxology:* CCLI #425557
- 6. Pass It On: Kurt Kaiser; CCLI Song #14284