

## Morning Worship August 9, 2020

### God Calls Us to Worship

The Prelude: "Oceans" (Andante) – Jan Mulder

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives" – Mark Albrecht

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit: "Beautiful Savior"

*Beautiful Savior! King of creation! Son of God and Son of Man!*

*Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee; Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.*

*Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high;*

*Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.*

The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 500:1-3

"Lord, Our Lord, Your Glorious Name"

**1. Lord, our Lord, your glorious name all your wondrous works proclaim;  
in the heavens with radiant signs evermore your glory shines.  
How great your name!**

**Refrain: Lord, our Lord, in all the earth, how great your name!  
Yours the name of matchless worth, excellent in all the earth.  
How great your name!**

**2. Infant voices chant your praise, telling of your glorious ways;  
weakest means work out your will, mighty enemies to still.  
How great your name! (Refrain)**

**3. Moon and stars in shining height nightly tell their Maker's might;  
when I view the heavens afar, then I know how small we are.  
How great your name! (Refrain)**

The Greeting

The People's Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

We Come Humbly Before Our God

The Call to Confession: James 4:6-10

The Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of Forgiveness: Isaiah 1:18

The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 682:1,2

"Before the Throne of God Above"

**1. Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea,  
a great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.**

**My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart;  
I know that while in heaven he stands no tongue can bid me thence depart,  
no tongue can bid me thence depart.**

- 2. When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,  
upward I look and see him there who made an end of all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;  
for God the Just is satisfied to look on him and pardon me,  
to look on him and pardon me.**

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### We Celebrate God's Covenant Promises

The Promises of Baptism

The Baptismal Vows of Parents

The Sacrament of Baptism: **Kenzie Lynn Langerak**, daughter of Nick and Kristen Langerak

Prayer Partner: Grace Shearer

The Baptismal Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 23:1-3

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

- 1. Children of the heavenly Father safely in his bosom gather;  
nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.**
- 2. God his own shall tend and nourish; in his holy courts they flourish.  
From all evil powers he spares them; in his mighty arms he bears them.**
- 3. Neither life nor death shall ever from the Lord his children sever;  
for to them his grace revealing, he turns sorrow into healing.**

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The Baptismal Blessing

### We Respond with Thanksgiving

The Pastoral Prayer – concluded by the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name;  
your kingdom come; your 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.  
Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.  
For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Anthem: “For the Beauty of the Earth” – Hal H. Hopson

*For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies.*

*Refrain: Lord of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For the beauty of each hour, of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light. (Refrain)*

*For joy of ear, for joy of eye, for mystic harmony of sound and sight.  
Lord, we raise our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies. (Refrain)*

*Amen.*

The Offertory: This Is My Father's World – B. Wayne Bisbee

The Doxology

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

God Speaks to Us

The Children's Message

[Click here](#) for children's video

The Sung Prayer for Illumination – LUYH 745:1

“Dwell in Me, O Blessed Spirit”

**1. Dwell in me, O blessed Spirit! How I need your help divine!  
In the way of life eternal, keep, O keep this heart of mine.**

**Refrain: Dwell in me, O blessed Spirit, gracious Teacher, Friend divine!  
For the kingdom work that calls me, O prepare this heart of mine.**

The Scripture: Psalm 19:1-6; 2 Timothy 3:14-17

The Confessional Reading: Belgic Confession, Art. 2

**We know God by two means:**

**First, by the creation, preservation, and government of the universe,  
since that universe is before our eyes like a beautiful book in which all creatures,  
great and small, are as letters to make us ponder the invisible things of God:  
God's eternal power and divinity, as the apostle Paul says in **Romans 1:20**.  
All these things are enough to convict humans and to leave them without excuse.**

**Second, God makes himself known to us more clearly by his holy and divine Word,  
as much as we need in this life, for God's glory and for our salvation.**

The Sermon: "Reason to Believe: Can Faith and Science Coexist?"

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

We Go in His Peace

The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 21

"This Is My Father's World"

1. **This is my Father's world, and to my listen ears  
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought  
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.**
  
2. **This is my Father's world; the birds their carols raise;  
the morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world; he shines in all that's fair.  
In the rustling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me everywhere.**
  
3. **This is my Father's world; oh, let me not forget  
that, though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world; why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is King, let the heavens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad.**

The Benediction

The People's Response: **Amen.**

The Organ Amen

The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

The Postlude: Earth and All Stars – Michael Burkhardt, Wayne L. Wold

Participants:

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister

Rev. Kristy Manion – liturgist

Dr. Larry Visser – organist

Jenny Wenger – flutist

Jason Reiffer – vocalist