



**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost**  
**October 18, 2020**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin  
Senior Minister

**MUSIC OF PREPARATION**

Mr. Rick Massengale, organ

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dr. Martin

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

MIT FREUDEN ZART

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Psalm 65:1-6*

Dr. Martin and **People**

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed,

**O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.**

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.

**Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.**

**We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.**

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation;

you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

**By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might.**

**\*HYMN**

*Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

NETTLETON

*Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;*

*streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.*

*Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.*

*Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.*

*Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;*

*and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.*



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*Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;  
he to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.*

*O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!  
let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles' Creed*

Dr. Martin and **People**

**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; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence 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.**      *\*universal*      *UMH 881*

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

MEINEKE

**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.**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:*

*“The peace of Christ be with you.” “And also with you.”*

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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**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, forever. Amen.**

**ANTHEM**

*You Do Not Walk Alone*

Elaine Hagenberg

*May you see God's light on the path ahead  
When the road you walk is dark.  
May you always hear,  
Even in your hour of sorrow,  
gentle singing of the lark.*

*When times are hard may hardness never turn your heart to stone,  
May you always remember when the shadows fall  
You do not walk alone.*

**\*DOXOLOGY**

OLD 100th

**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 ILLUMINATION**

Dr. Martin and People

Lord, open our hearts and minds  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that, as the Scriptures are read  
and your Word proclaimed,  
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

**\*SCRIPTURE LESSON**

*Exodus 33:12-23*

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*<sup>12</sup>Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' <sup>13</sup>Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." <sup>14</sup>He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." <sup>15</sup>And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. <sup>16</sup>For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth." <sup>17</sup>The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." <sup>18</sup>Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." <sup>19</sup>And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. <sup>20</sup>But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." <sup>21</sup>And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; <sup>22</sup>and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; <sup>23</sup>then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."*

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

*Disruption — Closeness to God*

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**\*HYMN**

*Near to the Heart of God*

MCAFEE

*There is a place of quiet rest, Near to the heart of God;  
A place where sin cannot molest, Near to the heart of God.*

*There is a place of comfort sweet, Near to the heart of God;  
A place where we our Savior meet, Near to the heart of God.*

*There is a place of full release, Near to the heart of God;  
A place where all is joy and peace, Near to the heart of God.*

*Refrain*

*O Jesus, blest Redeemer, Sent from the heart of God,  
Hold us, who wait before Thee, Near to the heart of God.*

**\*BENEDICTION**

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*May the peace of Christ go with you wherever he may send you.  
May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.  
May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.  
May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our arms.*

## POSTLUDE

## *Chorale Prelude on "Foundation"* Rick Massengale, organ

arr. William Hooper

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

*Please exit by the chancel only.  
Place bulletin in recycling bin or take it with you.  
Offerings will be received by the chancel as you exit.*

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### **Please remember in your prayers:**

Jackie Amos	Joe Byers	Howard Dunham	Lurlene Perry
Billy Arnold	Quentin Cash	Margaret Grainger	Claudia Rhodes
Van Askew	Colton Cauthen	Martha Hale	Norma Saunders
Carolyn Broady	Richard Clayton	Cindy Jennings	Mabel Wilbanks
Annelle Burch	Summer Dorsey	Doris Kerlin	Brad Wilkinson

**The flowers today are presented to the glory of God**  
and in celebration of Sam and Susan Burch's 40th wedding anniversary.

**The rosebud on the altar is in celebration of the birth of**  
Alexander Calloway Evans to Alex and Luanna Evans on August 7, 2020. Grandparents are Tedd and Tami Kemberling.



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