

January 10, 2021

Contemporary Service - 9:30 am

Scripture for Meditation

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Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made. **People:** Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you all;

People: And also with you.

Opening Praise

One True God

Music by Steven Curtis Chapman, Matt Redman, Chris Tomlin; CCLI Song # 7052884; © 2015 S. D.G. Publishing; Said And Done Music; sixsteps Music

Great Are You Lord

Music by David Leonard, Jason and Leslie Ingram CCLI Song # 6460220© 2012 Integrity's Alleluia! Music

Prayer of Confession

Kids' Time

Announcements

Ordination and Installation of Officers

Offering

What a Beautiful Name

Music by Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood CCLI Song # 7068424© 2016 Hillsong Music Publishing (Offerings are received weekly via mail and online giving.)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Old Testament Reading Genesis 1:1, 26-31

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord:

All: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Reading John 1:1-5

Sermon The Initial One

1st in the series "Moments"

Closing Song Goodness of God

Music by Jenn Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram,Ben Fielding and Brian Johnson CCLI Song #7117726; © 2018 Alletrop Music

Blessing

Postlude

Traditional Service - 11:00 am

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Prelude

The Shepherd's Farewell

(Berlioz/Cherwien)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

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People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you all;

People: And also with you.

Opening Hymn

All Creatures of our God and King

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(verses 1-3, and 6)

Psalm Response

Psalm 148

Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights above.

Praise him, all his angels;

praise him, all his heavenly hosts.

Praise him, sun and moon;

praise him, all you shining stars.

Praise him, you highest heavens

and you waters above the skies.

Let them praise the name of the LORD,

for at his command they were created,

And he established them for ever and ever-

he issued a decree that will never pass away.

Praise the LORD from the earth,

you great sea creatures and all ocean depths,

Lightning and hail, snow and clouds,

stormy winds that do his bidding,

You mountains and all hills,

fruit trees and all cedars,

Wild animals and all cattle,

small creatures and flying birds,

Kings of the earth and all nations,

you princes and all rulers on earth,

Young men and women, old men and children.

Let them praise the name of the LORD,

For his name alone is exalted:

his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

And he has raised up for his people a horn,

the praise of all his faithful servants, of Israel, the people close to his heart. Praise the LORD.

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

O God, the earth is full of your creatures; in wisdom you have made us all, and you have delivered us into one another's care, asking that we love one another as you first loved us. But we have fostered discord rather than unity, contempt rather than respect, ignorance rather than love. Communities, peoples, creatures, lands, seas—they have been set apart, or torn apart, or driven apart, by conflicting claims and thoughtless ambitions. You know our works and our thoughts, Lord. So do this day as you have promised: Gather together all our tribes and tongues, and restore us to harmony. Reconcile us in your spirit of peace, so that from new moon to new moon, and from sabbath to sabbath, all flesh shall worship your name.

(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Gloria Patri

Ordination and Installation of Officers

Old Testament Reading Genesis 1:1, 26-31

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord;

All: Thanks be to God!

Anthem Praise to the Lord

(arr. Dan R. Edwards)

New Testament Reading John 1:1-5

Sermon The Initial One

1st in the series "Moments"

Offering How Brightly Shines the Morning Star

(Dietrich Buxtehude)

Doxology

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn How Great Thou Art #553

Benediction

Postlude

A Child is Born in Bethlehem

(Johannes Walther)

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Welcome & Sermon Rev. Dr. Spencer Lundgaard

Worship Leader and Liturgy
Prayers of the People
Scripture
Rev. Greg Buell
Roger Smith
Sue Blue (9:30)
Sandra Mauk (11:00)

Pianist (9:30) Jim Peterson

Vocals (9:30) Erik Sealund, Ellen Westel (9:30)

Erin Carney, Laura Boguslavsky, Loren Myers (11:00)

Director of Music Ruth G. Heald Organist (11:00) Sharon Peterson

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Questions for Discussion

- 1. When you think of the Creation Story in the Bible what comes to mind? Share with one another your favorite part of the story and why.
- 2. Read Genesis 1:1; and 26-31. (The sermon focused on the creation of humanity on the sixth day, but you may read all of 1:1-31 if you have time).
- 3. What was unique about humanity? What did it mean to be "made in the image of God?"
- 4. What were the primary responsibilities given to humanity? (See verses 26 and 28).
- 5. What does God give humanity and why? (See verses 29-30.)
- 6. How does God say about his creation in verse 31? How is it different from what he said previously? (See verses 4 ,10, 12, 18, 21, and 25.) How does this influence the way you think about the world around you?
- 7. What do these verses reveal about the character of God?
- 8. Now read John 1:1-5. This is another account of the creation. How is it similar? How is it different?
- 9. How is "The Word" described in these verses? Who is the Word identified with in the Gospel of John? (See verse 14.)
- 10. How does this passage shape or challenge your view of God? of Jesus?

Suggestions for Prayer:

Praise God for his power and majesty, his wisdom and goodness. Thank God for the gift of Jesus, the source of all life in this world, the one in whom we live and move and have our being.