



8:30 a.m. ~ Sunday, April 6th

PRELUDE

“I’m Just a Poor Wayfaring Stanger”

arr. Joel Raney

Piano

WELCOME & RELATIONSHIPS of PEACE

OPENING HYMN “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

OPENING LITURGY

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven earth.**

P: I acknowledged my sin to You,

C: **and I did not cover my iniquity;**

P: I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,”

C: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: In the darkness of the world around us and amid our own blindness to His will and ways, God calls us to confess our sins.

C: **Return the Lord, your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.**

Moment of Silent Confession

P: Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith and confess our sins unto God our Father, that we may receive His forgiveness.

C: **O most merciful God, we believe Your Word is true for it reveals our sin for which we deserve Your rebuke and judgment. Yet even more, we believe in Your promise of mercy and forgiveness for the sake of Christ. We therefore confess to You all our sins. We plead the suffering and sacrifice of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, as the all-sufficient price of our redemption, and beg Your grace and forgiveness for the sake of faith in our Savior alone. Hear us in Your mercy and according to Your promise in Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace we have with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For peace among the families of the nations and in coming generations, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For all who rejoice here for our access by faith into this grace in which we stand, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: By Your purposeful suffering, rejection, death, and resurrection—help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

RESPONSE “Called to Remember”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON **Ephesians 3:14-21** [ESV]

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

VERSE RESPONSE “Return Unto the Lord”

HOLY GOSPEL John 14:15-24 [ESV]

R: The Holy Gospel, according to St. John:

C: Glory to You, O Lord!

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.” Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, “Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?” Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father’s who sent me.

R: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

CREEDAL HYMN “We Believe in One True God”

SERMON

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OFFERTORY

“Wesley Hymns”

arr. Victor Labenske

Piano Duet

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THE LORD’S PRAYER

WORDS of INSTITUTION

THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

AGNUS DEI

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Piano

arr. Smyttan

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Organ

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