



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
October 25, 2020



ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 25, 2020

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude *My Lord, What a Morning!*

Welcome & Announcements

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Threshold Moment & Lighting of Candles

Call to Worship

L. Gathered in the name of Jesus Christ,
inspired by the Holy Spirit,
and blessed by God,

P. we come to worship one, holy God.

L. Called into worship,
we listen to the Word of God,
pray and sing hymns.

P. We come to offer ourselves.

L. Empowered by the Spirit,
sustained by Word and sacrament,
and then sent back into the world,

P. we come so that we might leave transformed.

Hymn #610 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 2 The name of Je - sus charms our fears, and
 3 Christ speaks, and lis - tening to his voice new
 4 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
 5 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love be

dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
 bids our sor - rows cease, sings mu - sic in the
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful wak - en
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the
 now and ev - er given by saints be - low and

God and King, the tri - umphs of God's grace!
 sin - ner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.
 to re - joi - ce; the poor in heart be - lieve.
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.
 saints a - bove, the church in earth and heaven.

Call to Confession**Prayer of Confession**

We confess that we are reluctant to speak out clearly, naming the injustice we see and declaring God's vision. We confess our reluctance to receive our calling as God's people, made by God and chosen as witnesses to God's dream of justice and joy. Remind us God, that you have made us for your service and recharge us with your Word. Renew us and grant us courage to live out your way of peace and grace. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of God's Grace

Sung Response #582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F




1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7



and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm



and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F



As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

Passing of the Peace

Take out your phone and text to a church member, friend or family member - "The Peace of Christ be with you."

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon

Blessing

Final Sermon in a Series on Worship

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Special Music *God is so Good*

Affirmation of Faith *I Celebrate the Church of Jesus Christ* by Ann Weems

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation/ Pastoral Prayer

Comment on Facebook if you have a joy or concern to be shared. You can also email or call the church with prayer concerns. Tomorrow we will send a list of prayer concerns over email to our community.

The 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.

Offering

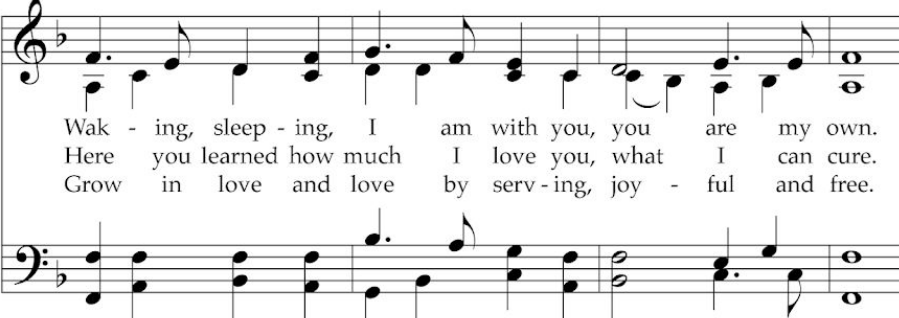
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Hymn #547 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

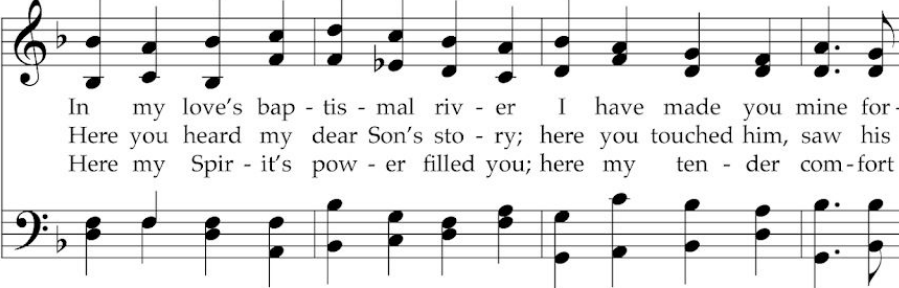
Go, My Children, with My Blessing 547




1 "Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, nev-er a-lone.
 2 "Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure.
 3 "Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos-er to me.



Wak-ing, sleep-ing, I am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy-ful and free.



In my love's bap-tis-mal riv-er I have made you mine for-
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto-ry; here you touched him, saw his
 Here my Spir-it's pow-er filled you; here my ten-der com-fort



ev-er. Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own."
 glo-ry. Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure."
 stilled you. Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, joy-ful and free."

Charge & Benediction

Benediction Response Clare Benediction
Sue Rosser, soprano

Postlude *"God, the Omnipotent!"*

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble

Acolyte: Lehman Temples

Liturgists: Bob Nees and Mary K. Hodges-Nees

Children's Message: Matt Phillips

Affirmation of Faith: Terry Graham, Mary Lou Clifton, Molly and Henry Bloxom, Becky Brown, Lacy & Laura Myer, Rick Johnston, Norm Mackay, George Miller, Ron Davis, Sam Tucker, Jeff Lapinski, Donnie Reinhard, Bob Kleine, and Judy Karandjeff

Special Music: Alex Mikeladze

Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze

Vocals: GeDeane Graham, Sue Rosser

Choir Director: Jadrian Tarver

Tech Guru: Heather Myer

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SERMON SERIES: Why Worship?

"Christian worship joyfully ascribes all praise and honor, glory and power to the triune God. In worship the people of God acknowledge God present in the world and in their lives. As they respond to God's claim and redemptive action in Jesus Christ, believers are transformed and renewed. In worship the faithful offer themselves to God and are equipped for God's service in the world." (PCUSA Book of Order, W-1.1001)

Have you ever wondered...

- Why do I need worship? Do I really need to come to church? Does it matter in these COVID days that I watch worship on my computer every week? Can't I just worship God on my own?
- Why do we say a prayer of confession, it's so depressing?
- Why does it seem like every time I show up for church, someone asks me for money?
- Why don't we start out with communion or the sermon? Why is our service organized the way it is?

Join us for this worship series all about worship. We will explore the PCUSA's reformed understanding of the theology of worship (it's interesting, thoughtful, and beautiful). Even while we can't gather in person, worship remains central to who we are as a church, so let's explore why.