

SUNDAY SERVICE FOR MAY 22, 2022

PRELUDE “Blessed Jesus, at Your Word” -arr. D. Cherwien

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

• CALL TO WORSHIP (*based on the first verse of “We Gather Together”*)

One: We gather together to ask for God’s blessing

All: Open our heart to receive.

One: We turn to your wisdom surpassing our own.

All: Open our minds to receive.

One: May the powers that oppress us now cease to distress us

All: Be present with us and make your will known.

One: Come let us worship God together.

• OPENING HYMN #276 “We Gather Together”

• OPENING PRAYER (*In unison*)

O God, in the midst of life we gather to be reminded of what’s most important.

Open us that we might hear again the Good News proclaimed by your Son. Empower us through your Holy Spirit that might live more fully in the Way of Love. And encourage us that we might work together with you to bring your Kingdom on Earth as it is Heaven. Create us, redeem us, and sustain us this day and every day of our lives. Amen.

• WORDS OF ASSURANCE

• RESPONSE #259 “Spirit of the Living God” (*Sung by all*)

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

• GREETING TIME (*As we greet each other please be respectful of each other’s comfort level.*)

MUSICAL RESPONSE “There’s Within My Heart a Melody”

FIRST READING

Acts 16:9-15 (*page 136*)

A MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

HYMN FOR ALL GOD’S CHILDREN #589 “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

(*Children ages 3 through 6th grade are invited to join us for Sunday School.*)

SECOND READING: **John 14:23-29** (*page 109*)

SERMON “A Legacy of Love” *Rev. Tim Perkins*

CHORAL ANTHEM “Peace Be with You” -M. McDonald

AN OFFERING OF PRAYER (PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE)

THE LORD’S PRAYER (*In unison*)

**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.**

CALL TO OFFER OUR TIME AND TALENTS

(Offering plates can be found at the center doors outside the sanctuary. Giving is also possible online through VANCO MOBILE on our website and through the sharing of your gifts in service.)

• OFFERTORY RESPONSE #47 “Doxology” (*Sung by all*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly hosts:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

• THE DEDICATION

• SENDING HYMN #484 “We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations”

• BENEDICTION

• CHORAL BENEDICTION “Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace” -arr. L.H. Bristol
(The congregation is invited to join in singing the second time.)

POSTLUDE “Grand Epilogue” -E. Broughton

Enter to Worship – Depart to Serve

*Our time of worship concludes at the end of the Postlude. If you would like to remain in the sanctuary to listen to this music written and played to glorify God, please do so quietly.
If not, please leave the Sanctuary quietly.*

Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Peace Be with You"

Peace be with you; my peace I give unto you. Not as the world gives,
give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled and do not be afraid,
I am with you. I am with you.

Peace be with you; my peace I give unto you.

I am the truth, the life; No one comes to the Father but by me.

I am going to the Father to prepare you a place with me.

If you love me; If you love me. Peace be with you; my peace I give unto you.

Peace be with you; my peace I give unto you. Not as the world gives,
give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled and do not be afraid,
I am with you. I am with you. Peace be with you; my peace I give unto you.
My peace, I give unto you.

CHORAL BENEDICTION

"Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace"

Let us now depart in thy peace, blessed Jesus.
Send us to our homes with God's love in our hearts.
Let not the busy world claim all our loyalties.
Keep us ever mindful, dear Lord, of thee.