October 10, 2021 Order of Worship 10:30 am



GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements
Time of Silence
Prelude

Largo in G

Will Benton, organist, Tom Tavasci, trumpet

Choral Introit

God is So Good

pg. 658

GF Handel

Call to Worship (Hebrews 4:14-16)

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Prayer of Praise and Adoration *Hymn No. 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 4:12-16

pew Bible, NT, pg. 206

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Lord, we confess that we grow comfortable with our lives as they are.

We are self-confident that our best efforts match what you ask of us.

We have faith in our goodness, and see the cause of problems in someone else's brokenness.

We think the challenging words you speak are always directed at someone else.

We persuade ourselves that any sense of emptiness we have,

is because we've been deprived something we desire.

Forgive us, God of grace, and help us to see ourselves as we really are - in need of your grace - called by you to repentance and new life.

In Christ we pray. (silent prayers of confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness

This is the promise of the Lord—that by the power of the Holy Spirit God will transform our lives and remember our sin no more. (Hebrews 10:16–17) In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

Passing of the Peace The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

THE WORD

Welcoming the Children (Pre-k and elementary children may go downstairs to the Children's library for a worship activity) Blessing of Children tune - Hymn No. 748, Tallis Canon Go with them, Lord, and guide their way, through this and every coming day. That in Your spirit strong and true, their lives may be a gift to You. Scripture Reading Mark 10:17-31 Pew Bible, NT pg. 43 Sermon How Can I Keep From Giving? You Lack One Thing. Dr. Dan DeBevoise *Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed (page 34 Glory To God hymnal) I believe in God, the Father Almighty, I believe in the Holy Spirit, creator of heaven and earth. the holy catholic church, And in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, the communion of saints, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, the forgiveness of sins, born of the Virgin Mary, the resurrection of the body, suffered under Pontius Pilate, and the life everlasting. Amen. was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. **Tithes and Offerings** Offertory My Jesus I Love Thee Adoniram Judson Gordon Chancel Choir Leaders arr. Jamey Ray Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer *Hymn No. 703 Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me Charge and Blessing *Congregational Response How Can I Keep From Giving? God's love flows out into the world, We follow Christ in word and deed, forgiving and renewing, our lives filled with new meaning, the Spirit sends disciples out, God's love in Christ for every need, into a new beginning. how can I keep from giving? Postlude

Rondeau Will Benton, organist, Tom Tavasci. trumpet Jean Joseph Mouret

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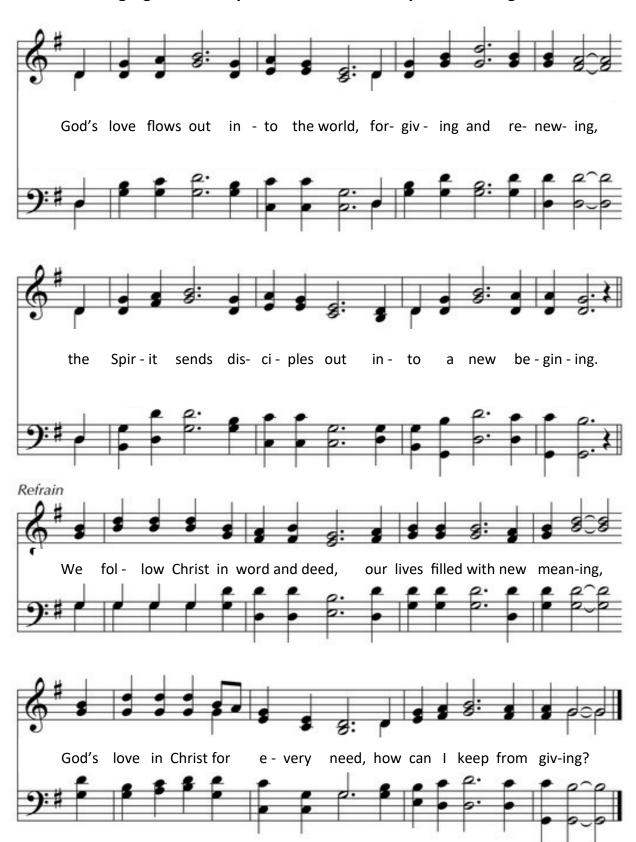


The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.



Written for the confirmation of the author's son, this text of self-dedication also voices our recurring individual need to recommit ourselves in less formal ways. The familiar shape note tune enhances a sense of finding our place among God's people from all times and places.

1 Je-sus, thy bound-less love to no thought can me 2 O grant that noth - ing in my soul may dwell, but **3** O Love, how gra - cious is thy way! All fear be -6 • • • • tongue de-clare; O knit my thank-ful heart to reach, no thy pure love a - lone; 0 may thy love pos-sess me pres - ence flies; care, an guish, sor - row melt a fore thy 12ri - val there! Thine whol-ly, thee, and reign with-out a whole, my joy, my trea-sure, and my crown! All cold-ness way wher-e'er thy heal-ing beams a - rise. Je-sus. 0 d. d d d d d #d b. d p. r r r r r r r r r 18thine a - lone, I'd live; my-self to thee en - tire - ly give. from my heart re-move; may ev-ery act, word, thought be love. noth-ing may I see, nothing de-sire, or seek, but thee.



Congregational Response - How Can I Keep From Giving?