

**WORSHIP, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021**  
**21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – LAITY SUNDAY**

11:00

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

<b>Chiming of the Hour</b>	Jim Preece, Organist/Choirmaster
<b>Words of Welcome</b>	Rev. Ashley Jenkins, Pastor
<b>Prelude</b>	The congregation in silent anticipation
<b>Lighting of the Candles</b>	
<b>Choral Introit</b>	The Chancel Choir

*See the Morning Sun Ascending - Unser Herrscher*

See the morning sun ascending, radiant in the eastern sky;  
hear the angel voices blending in their praise to God on high!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high!

**\*Call to Worship**

Great is Thy faithfulness!

**Morning by morning, new mercies I see;**

All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided;

**Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me! Amen**

**\*Hymn**

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

1. Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love,  
the God of our salvation.  
With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled: To God all praise and glory.
2. The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing, an ever present help and stay,  
our peace and joy and blessing.  
As with a mother's tender hand, God gently leads the chosen band: To God all praise and glory.
3. Thus, all my toilsome way along, I sing aloud thy praises, that earth may hear the grateful song  
my voice unwearied raises.  
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart, both soul and body bear your part: To God all praise and glory.
4. Let all who name Christ's holy name give God all praise and glory;  
let all who own his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story!  
Cast each false idol from its throne, for Christ is Lord, and Christ alone: To God all praise and glory.

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

*The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
On the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\*Gloria Patri**

*Glory Be to the Father*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.**

**Children and Youth Moment**

**Organ Interlude**

**Handbell Anthem**

Carillon Choir

*Inner Peace - Sandra Eithun*

**WE GROW THROUGH THE SPOKEN WORD**

**Psalter**

*Psalm 30*

For the night weeping may tarry; with the morning light comes joy.

**Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**Congregational Response**

Lord, may our prayer rise like incense in your sight,  
May this place be filled with the fragrance of Christ. Amen

**\*Hymn**

*My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

1. My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine!  
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, O let me from this day be wholly thine!

2. May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire!  
As thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

3. While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide;  
bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

4. When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll;  
blest Savior, then in love, fear and distrust remove; O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

**Worship with Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Presentation and Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Handbell Anthem**

Carillon Choir

*Lord, I Want to Be A Christian - Lloyd Larson*

**\*Gospel Reading**

*Luke 5:17-39*

Jan Purcell, Reader

<sup>17</sup> One day, while he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting near by (they had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem); and the power of the Lord was with him to heal.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>18</sup> Just then some men came, carrying a paralyzed man on a bed. They were trying to bring him in and lay him before Jesus;<sup>[b]</sup> <sup>19</sup> but finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the middle of the crowd<sup>[c]</sup> in front of Jesus. <sup>20</sup> When he saw their faith, he said, "Friend,<sup>[d]</sup> your sins are forgiven you." <sup>21</sup> Then the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, "Who is this who is speaking blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" <sup>22</sup> When Jesus perceived their questionings, he answered them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? <sup>23</sup> Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Stand up and walk?' <sup>24</sup> But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the one who was paralyzed—"I say to you, stand up and take your bed and go to your home." <sup>25</sup> Immediately he stood up before them, took what he had been lying on, and went to his home, glorifying God. <sup>26</sup> Amazement seized all of them, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, "We have seen strange things today."

<sup>27</sup> After this he went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." <sup>28</sup> And he got up, left everything, and followed him.

<sup>29</sup> Then Levi gave a great banquet for him in his house; and there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others sitting at the table<sup>[e]</sup> with them. <sup>30</sup> The Pharisees and their scribes were complaining to his disciples, saying,

"Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" <sup>31</sup> Jesus answered, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; <sup>32</sup> I have come to call not the righteous but sinners to repentance."

<sup>33</sup>Then they said to him, “John’s disciples, like the disciples of the Pharisees, frequently fast and pray, but your disciples eat and drink.” <sup>34</sup>Jesus said to them, “You cannot make wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them, can you? <sup>35</sup>The days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast in those days.” <sup>36</sup>He also told them a parable: “No one tears a piece from a new garment and sews it on an old garment; otherwise the new will be torn, and the piece from the new will not match the old. <sup>37</sup>And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise the new wine will burst the skins and will be spilled, and the skins will be destroyed. <sup>38</sup>But new wine must be put into fresh wineskins. <sup>39</sup>And no one after drinking old wine desires new wine, but says, ‘The old is good.’”

**Sermon**

*Through the Roof*

Rev. Jenkins

**\*Hymn**

*Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive*

“Forgive our sins as we forgive,” You taught to us, Lord, to pray;  
But you alone can grant us grace To live the words we say.

How can your pardon reach and bless The unforgiving heart  
That broods on wrongs and will not let Old bitterness depart?

In blazing light your cross reveals The truth we dimly knew:  
What trivial debts are owed to us, How great our debt to you!

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls, And bid resentment cease;  
Then, bound to all in bonds of love, Our lives will spread your peace.

## **WE GO TO SERVE**

**\*Benediction**

Rev. Jenkins

**\*Responsive Affirmation**

**All singing:** The morning thou gavest, Lord, is ended;  
The darkness falls at thy behest;  
To thee our morning hymns ascended;  
Thy praise shall hallow now our rest. Amen.

**Chimes**