

Living Out God's Call To Joy and to Justice

First Presbyterian Church, McAllen
Hymn Sing Worship Service
Sunday, July 28, 2024

Opening Sentences

Psalm 9:2

- I will be glad and rejoice in you;
I will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.
- Let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

Prelude

Morning Has Broken - arr. Dale Wood, favorite of Ann Sahadi

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!

**Serve the Lord with gladness;
come into God's presence with a song.**

Know that the Lord is God,
our maker to whom we belong;
we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

**Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving
and the courts with praise;
give thanks and bless God's holy name.**

Hymn

Come, Christians Join to Sing, favorite of Jan Seale

GG #267

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;

praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend;
his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again: Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore,
singing forevermore: Alleluia! Amen!

Call to Confession

Psalm 18:49

Therefore I will praise you, LORD, among the nations;
I will sing the praises of your name.

Act of Praise Blest Be the Tie that Binds, v. 1-2, favorite of Shirley Pippin –

Memories of growing up at First Presbyterian, Conroe, TX GG #306
Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. The fellowship of kindred
minds is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of our Lord be with you all. / **And also with you.**

Life of the Church

Reflection

Psalm 95:1

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

GG #275

A Mighty Fortress is Our God v. 1,3, and 4, favorite of Ann Williams - this hymn
gives a sense of security.

Psalm 96:1 - 2

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the Earth.
Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.

I Hear Thy Welcome Voice vs. 1,2, and 3, favorite of Bernard Tabali

Colossians 3:16

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly;
teach and admonish one another in all wisdom;
and with gratitude in your heart,
sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs to God.

GG #643

Now Thank We all Our God v. 1 and 3, favorite of Dru and Sher Wilkes –
the processional hymn at their wedding, 3-4-83

James 5:13 - 14

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy?
Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick?
Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them
and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord.

GG #792

There is a Balm in Giliad v. 1-2, favorite of Miranda Prater

Psalm 5:11

But let all who take refuge in you be glad;
let them ever sing for joy.
Spread your protection over them,
that those who love your name may rejoice.

The Old Rugged Cross v. 1 and 3, favorite of Ernie Williams - his mother's
favorite

Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name;
make known among the nations what he has done.
Sing to him, sing praise to him;
tell of all his wonderful acts.

GG #39

Great is Thy Faithfulness favorite of Nadine Force-Macey - this song keeps us centered, reminds us who is in charge!

Prayers of the People

Open My Eyes, That I May See, favorite of Barbara Knappenberger GG #451

Be Thou My Vision v. 1-2, favorite of Joe and Jinny Massey - reminder of former church GG #450

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Spirit, Open My Heart v. 1-2, favorite of Ellen Boyd GG #692

Offertory

Children's Medley (Jesus Loves the Little Children/Jesus Loves Even Me/
Jesus Loves Me) - arr. by Mark Hayes, favorites of Sher Wilkes,
brings memories of her dad

Act of Dedication Here I am Lord v. 3, favorite of Barbara Montemayor GG #69

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Offertory Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.
Through your goodness
you have blessed us with these gifts:
ourselves, our time, and our possessions.

Use us, and what we have gathered,
in feeding the world with your love;
through the one who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Hymn Victory in Jesus, favorite of Emma Jasper - brings hope and peace,
sung at her daughter's funeral

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory, How He gave His life
on Calvary to save a wretch like me; I heard about His groaning, of his precious
blood's atoning, Then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever! He sought me and brought me with His
redeeming blood; He loved me ere I knew him, and all my love is due Him He
plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.

I heard about His healing, of His cleansing power revealing, How He made the
lame to walk again and caused the blind to see; And then I cried, "Dear Jesus,
Come and heal my broken spirit," and somehow Jesus came and brought to
me the victory.

O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever! He sought me and brought me with His
redeeming blood; He loved me ere I knew him, and all my love is due Him He
plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.

I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory, And I heard about the
streets of gold beyond the crystal sea; About the angels singing and the old
redemption story, And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory.

O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever! He sought me and brought me with His
redeeming blood; He loved me ere I knew him, and all my love is due Him He
plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.

Charge and Benediction

Psalm 104:33

I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.
May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may bound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Alleluia! Amen.

Congregational Response God Be with You Till We Meet Again, favorite of Beverly Avila, we sing this before departing every time my mother's family gathers together.

GG #542

God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
unseen wings protecting hide you,
daily manna still provide you:
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
when life's perils thick confound you,
put unfailing arms around you:
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
keep love's banner floating o'er you;
smite death's threatening wave before you:
God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude How Firm a Foundation - arr. by Carolyn Hamlin, favorite of Ellen Boyd

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