

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

*\* Those who are able, please stand.*

Preparation for Worship

Prelude *Aria* Peeters

*As you open your mind and your heart to God's presence in our midst, we invite you to prepare for today's service as you listen to the prelude, which marks the beginning of worship.*

Lighting of the Candles

\*Congregational Introit *He Is Exalted* STF # 2070

Call to Worship Congregation (**Bold**)

God speaks peace to the faithful,  
to those who turn to God in their hearts.

**Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear God.**

Where God dwells, steadfast love and faithfulness meet;  
righteousness and peace kiss each other.

**Faithfulness springs up from the ground  
and righteousness looks down from the sky.**

**God gives what is good  
and we respond with abundant praise!**

Greetings & Announcements

*Visitors: please fill out a visitor's card and place in the offering plate at offering*

Passing of the Peace

\* Hymn of Praise *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* # 379

Prayer of Confession Congregation

Gracious God, you call us to step out in faith, trusting in you for all things. We respond to your command but then sink in doubt and fear. We hide from the challenges of bold discipleship. We are not able to fulfill your commandments, for our purposes are never in full accord with yours. Forgive us, we pray, when we confess with our lips but do not believe in our hearts. Help us to practice our faith in all circumstances. Lift us out of sin into the arms of your mercy. Though we are distracted by noise all around, allow us to hear your voice even when it is the sound of sheer silence. . .

*[A time of silence is kept.]*

We pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Silent Reflection)

Assurance of New Beginnings

Sharing Faith with the Children

(Children ages 3-9 may go to Children's Church)

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn of Preparation *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* # 404

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading Psalm 85:8-13 Congregation

Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts. Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky. The LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Choral Anthem *In the Garden* Miles  
(Web Slaughter & Irene Brock)

Second Scripture Reading Matthew 14: 22-33 # 16

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.'

Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Pastor David Fuentes

\*Affirmation of Faith Congregation

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross.

Therefore, God also highly exalted him

and gave him the name that is above every name,

so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:

Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

\*Gloria Patri Congregation # 579

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.

## GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Prayers of God's People

("Notes" section can be found in the bulletin before the "Prayer Concerns" section)

The Lord's Prayer Congregation

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.

Offerings of the People

Offertory *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* Hughes

\*Doxology # 592

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

Prayer of Dedication

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

\* Closing Hymn *How Firm a Foundation* # 361

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction      *Three-Fold Amen*      # 586

Postlude      *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*      Birchwood

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**Question for Reflection**

After Jesus caught Peter in the water, was Jesus' question, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" a reproach? When we are facing a great difficulty, do we doubt God's power? Do we doubt ourselves? Can you recall other biblical stories, or a story from your own life, when God reached out to rescue or to overcome doubt and fear with the gift of increased faith?

**Morning Prayer:**

Holy God, the new day begins with such promise. Help me to enter into this day with joy and confidence in your power and goodness.

Whatever challenge I may face, help me to trust in your presence, remembering that you are stronger than any difficulty or threat. If you will surround me in the embrace and affection of steadfast love and faithfulness, of righteousness and peace, then I will be lifted up and strengthened to follow you. In Christ's name, I pray. Amen.

**Evening Prayer:**

Gracious God, favor me with the sheer silence of your presence at the end of this day. Quiet any voices of fear and doubt that would trouble me, toss and turn me. Grant me, and anyone who enters the night hours with anxiety or pain, your perfect peace. Favor your children with calm and rest, with healing and renewal, as we sleep and dream in your arms of mercy. In your Son's dear name, I pray. Amen.

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**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**MEMBERS:** Ada Carson, Corrine McCain, Vern Miller, Peggy Cuddington, Martha Parker, Verna Quidley, Jane Armstrong, Barbara Hopewell, Cliff Meadows, Matthew Cedars, Terry Powell, Max Armstrong, Pat Morgan, Walter Powell and the family of Virginia Powell, Joan Wilson and the family of Glenn Wilson, the family of Margaret Brown, Kate and Jeff Chittick and the family of Rebekah Chittick, Sue Davenport.

**FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH:** Catherine Ciin's mother, Hellon Matthews (former member), Ralph & Leigh Powell (Walter's brother & family), Jimmie Boyd, Deborah Glisson, Fred Cornford and the family of Lowell Marsh, Peggy Barber (friend of Beth Doran), Eliza Williams (Tillie Jones' sister), Pat Peterson & Diane Manley (friends of Jean Foss), Mary Gover (Charlene Gover's daughter -in-law), Jim Schneider (friend of Rob & Diana Thompson), Peggy Owen (Jean Boyd's sister), Ashleigh Randell (Terri Randell's daughter), Maxine and George Fisher and the family of Tim Fisher, Mabel Weatherly (friend of Peggy Cuddington), Carol Cherry, Christine Smith (friend of the Thompsons), Eddie Austin (Charlotte McConnell's brother), Denise Plourde (friend of the Thompsons), Caroline Wrigley (Evelyn Wrisley's daughter-in-law), Rosemary (a friend of Ellie Burns' daughter), Deb & Tim Tuttle (friends of the Thompsons), Nate Brown (Al Fowler's great grandson).

**ASSISTED LIVING:** Betty Harrison (Homeplace)

**DEPLOYMENTS/MILITARY:** Evan Austin (Peggy Cuddington's grandson), Nick Zimmer, and Shannon Webster, Germany, (both Joan Zimmer's grandchildren).

**SERVICE SCHEDULE**

**Week of August 13**

|                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Elder of the Week | Tonya Cedars |
| Liturgist         | Lily Cedars  |
| Ushers            | Tonya Cedars |
|                   | Mike Kelley  |
|                   | Whit Morgan  |
|                   | Trudy Nelson |
| Acolyte           | Esther Ku    |

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

|          |          |                           |
|----------|----------|---------------------------|
| Sunday   | 10:30 am | Nursery/Children's Church |
|          | 10:30 am | Worship                   |
| Tuesday  | 7:00 pm  | Karate                    |
| Thursday | 9:30 am  | Nifty Knitters            |

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**Service for the Lord's Day**

**Sunday, August 13, 2017**

**10:30 A.M.**

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