



MIDWEEK WORSHIP SERVICE

MAY 31, 2023 . 12:00 PM

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Grave and Adagio, from Sonata No. 2

Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Our futures are not determined by our pasts. God is making all things new!

People: Everyone in Christ is a new creation. The old is gone – the new is here.

Minister: God invites us to receive life beyond our fears and regrets.

People: Thanks be to God. Let us worship the Lord. Amen!

HYMN 89 *

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn To Joy



1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2. All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv-ing, ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,
4. Mor-tals, join the might-y cho - rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan;



hearts un - fold like flowers be-fore thee, open-ing to the sun a-bove.
stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro-ken praise.
well-spring of the joy of liv-ing, o - cean depth of hap - py rest!
love di - vine is reign-ing o'er us, bind-ing all with - in its span.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-ery mead-ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa-ther, Christ our broth-er, all who live in love are thine;
Ev - er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic-tors in the midst of strife;



Giv - er of im - mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day!
chant - ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth-er, lift us to the joy di-vine.
joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun-ward, in the tri-umph song of life.



Henry Van Dyke, 1907

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *

Loving God, in your generous love you invite us to new life. Our futures are not determined by our pasts – but through your Holy Spirit we are being made into the people you have created us to be. We confess, however, that too often instead of following your way we choose to follow our own paths. Forgive us our sins, restore us with your mercy and help us live into the bright and bold future you offer us through Christ. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Minister: Hear the good news. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, neither angels nor demons, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God, Amen!

THE GOSPEL LESSON *

John 20:19-29

† following the reading

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Healing After Heartbreak

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

I Need Thee Every Hour

Robert Lowry
arr. by Kurt Kaiser

I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord; no tender voice like Thine can peace afford. I need Thee, oh, I need Thee; every hour I need Thee. Oh bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee. I need Thee every hour, in joy or pain; come quickly and abide or life is vain. I need Thee every hour, most Holy One, oh make me Thine indeed most blessed Son.

Annie S. Hawks

William Green, *tenor*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN 368 *

My Hope is Built

The Solid Rock



1. My hope is built on noth - ing less than
 2. When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I
 3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup -
 4. When he shall come with trum - pet sound, O

Je - sus' blood and righ-teous-ness. I dare not trust the
 rest on his un - chang-ing grace. In ev - ery high and
 port me in the whelm-ing flood. When all a - round my
 may I then in him be found! Dressed in his righ - teous -

sweet - est frame, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 storm - y gale, my an - chor holds with - in the veil.
 soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.
 ness a - lone, fault - less to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain
 On Christ the sol - id rock I stand, all oth - er ground is
 sink - ing sand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Edward Mote, 1834

BLESSING *

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Postlude

Alexandre Guilmant
(1837-1911)

Preaching: Rev. Daniel Ogle, *Associate Minister*
Music: Matthew McNeill, *Assistant Organist*

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