

August 2, 2015 — Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

We Come Together as God's People

Prelude *Komm, Heiliger Geist*, BWV 651 J.S. Bach
(Come, Holy Spirit) (1685-1750)
Dr. John Allegar, organ

Introit *Gloria in excelsis Deo* Antonio Vivaldi
Summer Choir (1678-1741)
Jillian Nicholson-Dicks, Intern and Conductor
Gloria in excelsis Deo. Glory to God in the highest.

* **Call to Worship** Rev. Caroline V. Dennis

Leader: We praise you, O Lord, for you hold the heavens in your hand
and all stars rejoice in your glory.

People: You come in the sunrise and the song of morning
and bless the splendor of the noonday.

Leader: Your voice comes in the thunder of the storm
and the song of the wind whispers your majesty.

People: You satisfy all things living with your abundance
and our hearts bow at your presence.

Leader: Bend over us, Eternal Love, and bless us. Amen.

* **Prayer of Adoration**

*+ **Hymn #485** *To God Be the Glory* TO GOD BE THE GLORY

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Grant unto us, O God, the fullness of your promises:

All: where we have been wrong, grant us your forgiveness;
where we have been weak, grant us your strength;
where we have been confused, grant us your guidance;
where we have been distraught, grant us your comfort;
where we have been dead, grant us your life.

Silent Confession

All: Apart from you, O Lord, we are nothing,
in and with you we can do all things. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

* **Response of Praise** *Gloria Patri* (See sidebar)



Welcome! We are so glad to have you with us in worship this morning. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please fill out one of the "welcome" cards in the pew rack so we may greet you and respond to any questions you might have.

HYMN #485

To God Be the Glory was written by the prolific gospel hymn writer Fanny J. Crosby (1820-1915), and gained great popularity after 1954 through its use in the Billy Graham crusades. In contrast to many gospel hymns, this text directs our attention away from personal experience to the glory of God. Crosby articulates the understanding that the primary element in the Christian faith is not a great imperative, that is to say, something that we should do for God. Rather, it is a great indicative, something that God has done for us. God so loved the world that he gave us his Son to make atonement for our sin. All who believe in Christ will receive pardon, will rejoice now and through all eternity because of the "great things he has done."

THE GLORIA PATRI

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.

* Those who are able may stand. + Latecomers may be seated.

HYMN #411

Arise, Your Light Is Come! was written by Ruth C. Duck for a collection of hymns adapted for inclusive language for the Ecumenical Women's Center of Chicago in 1974. Duck explains, "I was working on adapting Rise Up, O Men of God, when this new hymn text came to me, as if the new wine of the faith I wanted to express would not fit into the old wineskin of the earlier text." Based on Isaiah 61:1-2, the text calls us to reflect God's light in our lives, to proclaim "good tidings to the poor" and "comfort those who mourn."

PARENTS: TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Following Time with the Children, Children's Ministry staff will meet children up through 2nd grade at the pulpit door to escort them to the nursery (age 2 and under) or to Children's Chapel Sunday School (ages 3 – 2nd grade). Before sending your child forward for the Time with Children, please fill out a name tag (in the pew racks) place half on your child's back and bring the other half when you pick up your child. Children ages 3rd grade and older remain in worship with their families. Worship Bags and Children's Bulletins are available at each entrance to the sanctuary.

Infant Nursery (240)
 Toddlers, 2s and 3s (233)
 Children's Chapel Sunday School (206)

News Within the Church Family

Welcome:

Theodore Rex Gordner, son of
 Liam and Eliza Gordner
 Birthdate: July 28, 2015

Hospitalized:

Al Haboush

Deaths:

Paul Domi

* **Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*+ **Hymn #411**

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

FESTAL SONG

**Ritual of Friendship
 and the Concerns of the Church**

Rev. Karen. L. Lang

We Experience God's Word

Time with the Children (11:00)

Prayer of Illumination

Elder Larry Robertson (9:30)

Jean Fleming (11:00)

First Lesson

Psalm 24

(p. 491)

Anthem

If Ye Love Me

Thomas Tallis

Michensey Hamlin, Intern and Conductor (1505-1585)

If ye love me keep my commandments,
 and I will pray the Father,
 and he shall give you another comforter,
 that he may bide with you for ever:
 E'en the Sp'rit of Truth.

from John 14:15-17

Second Lesson

Ephesians 1:1-14

(p. 1064)

Response

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Dr. Lewis F. Galloway

"All for God's Glory"

*"We who first hoped in Christ have been destined and appointed
 to live for the praise of his glory."*

(EPHESIANS 1:12)

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We Give Thanks to God

Invitation to Discipleship

* **Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (Hymnal p. 16)

Offertory *Blessed are All They that Fear the Lord* G.F. Handel
Caitlin Stewart, soprano (1685-1759)

Blessed are all they that fear the Lord;
O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

* **Doxology and the Prayer of Thanksgiving** (See sidebar)

We Go Forth to Serve

* **Closing Hymn #417** *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* REGENT SQUARE

* **Charge and Benediction**

Benediction Response *Sevenfold Amen* Peter Lutkin
(1858-1931)

* **Postlude** *Carillon* Herbert Murrill
(1909-1952)

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

DOXOLOGY

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.

HYMN #417

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation is derived from an anonymous Latin poem of the 7th century. The original Latin hymn was found in many of the earliest Christian hymnals. Our hymn is based on the second part of the longer original and is based largely on St. Paul's description of the church in Ephesians 2:19-21. "So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the corner stone. . . The emphasis is on the Church's unity in Christ, its members being "living stones" built into him and thus joined together to form "a holy temple."

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION AND WHOLENESS

10:35 a.m. in Milner Chapel
Rev. Robert L. Hunter