

## October 11, 2020

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PRELUDE

### If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

Michael Barker, organ

JG Walther

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Katherine Robinson

### CALL TO WORSHIP

#### We affirm, with the psalmist

Our days are like grass; we flourish and fall like a flower of the field.

We hear from Jesus -

Set your troubled hearts at rest. Trust in God always; trust also in me.

#### We wonder with the prophet Job –

Mortals pass on and are laid low; mortals perish, and where are they? If we die, will we live again?

We trust the words of the Lord –

I am the resurrection and the life; even in death, anyone who believes in me will live.

### We are bold to say with the Apostle Paul -

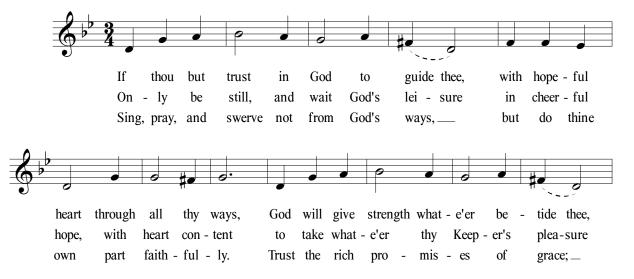
If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

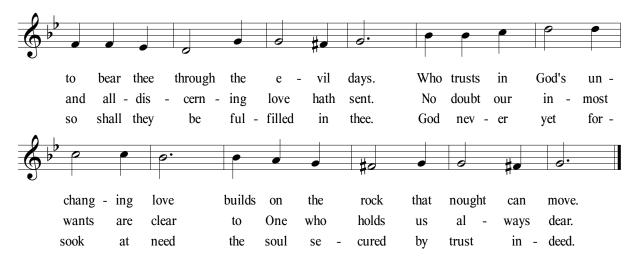
HYMN

## If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

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Donna Drake and Austin Brown, song leaders





#### CALL TO CONFESSION

David Carter Florence

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

#### Eternal God,

in every age you have raised up holy people to live and die in faith.

We confess that we are indifferent to your will.

You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent.

You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle.

You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid.

In your mercy, forgive us.

- Silent Prayers -

Holy God, give us courage to follow in your way,

that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may be received into the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

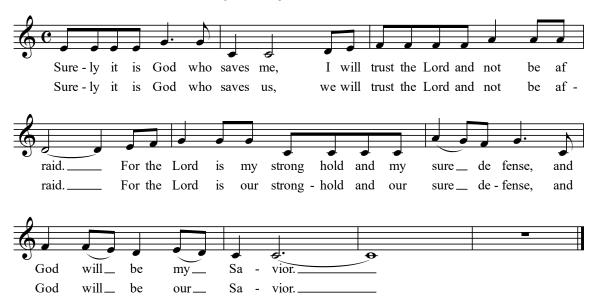
#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe this good news. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**RESPONSE OF PRAISE** 

Surely It Is God Who Saves Me

FIRST SONG



#### FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 50 selected verses

SERMON

Promise and Purpose: The End of a Good Story

**HYMN** 



#### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Heidelberg Confession

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I am not my own, but belong – body and soul, in life and death – to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. Because I belong to him, Christ by his Holy Spirit assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

#### CALL TO OFFERING

Offertory

## Close Every Door to Me

Matt Begley, soloist

Tim Rice Andrew Lloyd Webber

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If you would like to respond to the devastation and loss from fires on the west coast and flooding on the gulf coast, please go to the giving page on <u>our website</u> and designate PDA for your gift. Checks can be dropped off at the church on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 9-1:30, or sent through the mail.

#### BENEDICTION

The Beatitude Song

Blessed are the peaceful, God's loving offspring; blessed are the fearless, hope and justice bringing; blessed are these pilgrims, songs and praises singing; grace and shalom to share. May the grace, peace, and love of our Lord Jesus Christ go with you and be with you now and forevermore.

#### POSTLUDE

#### Tuba Tune

CS Lang

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#### JOYS AND CONCERNS

Family and friends of George Gunn who entered God's Church Triumphant on October 5.
In light of COVID-19 restrictions, the family will have a virtual service
to witness to the resurrection and give thanksgiving to God for the gift of George's life.

Family and friends of Harry Philips who entered God's Church Triumphant on October 5. We have no details on a service at this time.

Bill Hollins, recovering from Guillain Barre Syndrome at Mission, going to rehab

William Neville and family following the death of his father Gordon Neville on October 5

**Our PC(USA) Mission Co-workers:** John McCall in Taiwan; Dan & Elizabeth Turk in Madagascar; Gary & Marlene Van Brocklin in South Asia. **Outreach Foundation:** Frank Dimmock

Seminary Student: Emily Beaver, Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia

Our partner **Presbytery** and partner church, **Ebenezer**, in Guatemala The situation in Guatemala is very difficult with COVID-19. It seems that our Ebenezer church members are healthy, but many are not able to work and it is not easy to get food.

Please remember in prayer these people with ongoing concerns. Martha Jean Alvis, Glenn & Evelyn Bannerman, Daisy Buckner, Chad Carlton, Jane Collins, Jim Davies, Doris Hogle, Becky Hughes, Barbara Jenkins, Mary McElrath, Nancy Murray, Margaret Rada, Betty Rand, Penny Sampson, Renee & Charles Sandy, Callie Shaffer, Margie Tyas, Ann Weeks, Paul Willison

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#### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Divine Author, you are the one who brought about a good ending for the story of Joseph. Help us to trust that you will bring about good purposes from the re-orienting of our days and months due to this Covid Virus. On some sad days we would like to skip ahead to the end. Keep us present and caring for each other ... so that someday we may rise up and walk together with shouts of Hallelujah! Amen!

Prayer composed by Jim Layman

# Our Church's Vision Embodying the Love of Christ

Inspiring through Worship and Faith Formation • Nurturing through Fellowship Equipping to Serve • Welcoming to All

# Session

Mike Ballard, clerk

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