32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 8, 2020

Gathering God invites us to enter His presence

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship (Time for Silent Preparation)

Call to Worship

Celia Weber

There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things, you alone are God.

Let us worship the Triune God.

Invocation Celia Weber

You are the Sovereign One, O God, and rightly to be blessed. Your name shall ever be upon our lips. You have heard the poor and saved them from trouble. You have enlightened believers; their faces reflect your radiance. Aglow with the splendor of your promised redemption, we gather to worship you, ruler of nations. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise 97 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all; Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall, Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all; Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball, To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all; To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all; We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all!

Confessing God invites us to be honest with Him

Prayer of Confession

Celia Weber

(Responsively)

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.

You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

Do not cast me from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Celia Weber

The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.
The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

Amen.

Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

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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.

A-men, A-men.

Offering

Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him

Invitation How does God's love abide in anyone

who has the world's goods and sees a brother or

sister in need

and yet refuses to help?

Dear children, let us love, not in word or speech,

but also in truth and action.

Offering

*Please place your offerings in the plate in the back

of the church on

Offertory

My Worth Is Not In What I Own Getty/Kendrick Duet - Gary Covert and Linda Gyrath



We give Thee but Thine own, What e'er the gift may be: All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive, And gladly as Thou blesses us, To Thee our first fruits give. A-men.

Prayer of Dedication

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us—Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

<u>Proclaiming</u> God speaks to us through His Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Lesson Ruth 3

3 Then Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, should I not seek rest for you, that it may be well with you? ² Is not Boaz our relative, with whose young women you were? See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. ³ Wash therefore and anoint yourself, and put on your cloak and go down to the threshing floor, but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. ⁴ But when he lies down, observe the place where he lies. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down, and he will tell you what to do." ⁵ And she replied, "All that you say I will do."

⁶ So she went down to the threshing floor and did just as her mother-in-law had commanded her. ⁷ And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain. Then she came softly and uncovered his feet and lay down. ⁸ At midnight the man was startled and turned over, and behold, a woman lay at his feet! ⁹ He said, "Who are you?" And she answered, "I am Ruth, your servant. Spread your wings over your servant, for you are a redeemer." ¹⁰ And he said, "May you be blessed by the LORD, my daughter. You have made this last kindness greater than the first in that you have not gone after young men, whether poor or rich. ¹¹ And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you ask, for all my fellow townsmen know that you are a worthy woman. ¹² And now it is true that I am a redeemer. Yet there is a redeemer nearer than I. ¹³ Remain tonight, and in the morning, if he will redeem you, good; let him do it. But if he is not willing to redeem you, then, as the LORD lives, I will redeem you. Lie down until the morning."

¹⁴So she lay at his feet until the morning, but arose before one could recognize another. And he said, "Let it not be known that the woman came to the threshing floor." ¹⁵And he said, "Bring the garment you are wearing and hold it

out." So she held it, and he measured out six measures of barley and put it on her. Then she went into the city. ¹⁶ And when she came to her mother-in-law, she said, "How did you fare, my daughter?" Then she told her all that the man had done for her, ¹⁷ saying, "These six measures of barley he gave to me, for he said to me, 'You must not go back empty-handed to your mother-in-law.'" ¹⁸ She replied, "Wait, my daughter, until you learn how the matter turns out, for the man will not rest but will settle the matter today."

Sermon

"The Dangers of Hesed" Rev. Tim Latham

Responding We respond to God's Word

Hymn of Response 202 Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that save a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relived; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed.

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

Thru many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come; 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

Profession of Faith

We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and was made human.
He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried.

The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to life in the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer

Commissioning God sends us out into the world as His witnesses

Hymn

Abide with Me

Abide with me fast falls the eventide The darkness deepens Lord with me abide When other helpers fail and comforts flee Help of the helpless O abide with me

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day Earth's joys grow dim its glories pass away Change and decay in all around I see O Thou who changest not abide with me

I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r Who like Thyself my Guide and Stay can be Through cloud and sunshine O abide with me

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness Where is death's sting where grave thy victory I triumph still if Thou abide with me Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies Heav'n's morning breaks And earth's vain shadows flee In life in death O Lord abide with me

Benediction & Blessing

Organ Postlude

Christ Our Fortress, Christ Our Cornerstone

Beckett