

When we could have viewed the wider picture, we saw only a part.
When we could have sensed the Spirit leading, we missed the way.
Forgive our dim apprehension of love's clear leading.
Give us faith that trusts when it cannot see,
through the light that lingers when all else fails,
even the bright Morning Star of our faith,
Jesus Christ, the Savior. **Amen.**

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hob Pusey

I will cleanse them from all the guilt of their sin against me,
and I will forgive all the guilt of their sin and rebellion against me.

Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

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.
A-men, A-men.*

Offering

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

Invitation The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly;
the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.
Responding to God's bountiful gifts to us in Christ,
we have opportunity to share out of our abundance.

Offering

Offertory

*Softly and Tenderly
Flute solo - Pamela Johnson*

Thompson

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.*

Prayer of Dedication

Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you
have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions—
signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him
who offered himself for us—Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

 Hymn 335

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Proclaiming
God speaks to us through His Word

Children's Sermon

Dark and Stormy Night

Dennis Leshner

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:13-16

¹³“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt should lose its taste, how can it be made salty? It's no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city situated on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵No one lights a lamp and puts it under a basket, but rather on a lampstand, and it gives light for all who are in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Sermon

*“Salt and Light”
Rev. Tim Latham*

Responding
We respond to God's Word

 Hymn

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

*Jesus I my cross have taken,
All to leave and follow Thee
Destitute, despised, forsaken
Thou from hence my all shalt be
Perish every fond ambition,
All I've sought or hoped or known
Yet how rich is my condition,
God and heaven are still my own.*

*Let the world despise and leave me
They have left my savior too
Human hearts and looks deceive me,
Thou art not like them untrue
Oh while thou dost smile upon me,
God of wisdom, love and might
Foes may hate and friends disown me,
Show thy face and all is bright.*

*Man they trouble and distress me,
Twill but drive me to thy breast
Life with trials hard may press me,
Heaven will bring me sweeter rest
Oh 'tis not in grief to harm me,*

*While thy love is left to me
Oh 'twere not in joy to charm me,
Were that joy unmixed with thee.*

*Go then earthly fame and treasure,
Come disaster, scorn and pain
In thy service pain is pleasure,
With thy favor loss is gain
I have called thee Abba Father,
I have stayed my heart on thee
Storms may howl and clouds may gather,
All must work for good to me.*

*Soul then know thy full salvation
Rise o'er sin and fear and care
Joy to find in every station,
Something still to do or bear
Think what Spirit dwells within thee,
Think what Father's smiles are thine
Think that Jesus died to win thee,
Child of heaven, canst thou repine.*

*Haste thee on from grace to glory,
Armed by faith and winged by prayer
Heaven's eternal day's before thee,
God's own hand shall guide thee there
Soon shall close thy earthly mission,
Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days
Hope shall change to glad fruition,
Faith to sight and prayer to praise.*

Profession of Faith

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

Prayers of the People

Commissioning *God sends us out into the world as His witnesses*

 **Hymn 379** *Take My Life and Let it Be*

 **Benediction & Blessing**

*This morning's Prayer Partners are
Carolyn Thompson and Don Titus*

 **Postlude** *Lead On, O King Eternal* Sewell

****Please Note:** *The Annual Congregational meeting will be held Sunday, February 6th immediately following worship. Please plan to attend.*