

MORNING WORSHIP

November 11, 2018

Half past Ten O'Clock

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

*When the organ begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation.
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Meg Dewey, Mission Christmas Tree

PRELUDE

The Gift to be Simple

arr. Dale Wood

CHORAL INTROIT

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

MATERNA

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O God the Father, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named:
O God the Son, given to be head over the Church; O God the Holy Spirit, the bond of
peace: O Holy Trinity, eternal love:

Congregation: Have mercy upon us.

Leader: By Your ministry of healing and forgiveness; by Your seeking and saving the lost;
by Your words of eternal life:

Congregation: Help us, good Lord.

+*HYMN 267

All Things Bright and Beautiful

ROYAL OAK

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

adapted from Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969)

Leader: O God, lift us up above malice and evil-speaking and unkindness of heart.

**Congregation: Arouse in us the spirit of Christ, who could pray upon the cross for
those who put Him there.**

Unison: O God, help us to be Christians in our hearts because love is there.

Leader: Lift us, we pray, from selfishness to service.

**Congregation: Remind us of downcast and stricken lives. Let our imaginations run out into our
prisons, the houses where the poor lie down in the cold and poverty, the asylums where
disordered minds beat themselves out against their vain imaginings, the unprivileged
areas of our city's life and of the world where blessings that we take for granted are
little known, and hunger stalks and fear haunts and tomorrow is full of terror.**

Unison: Wake up within us, we beseech You, our forgotten kindness.

Leader: And with all this, Spirit of the eternal Christ, lift us up from doubt to faith.

**Congregation: Lift us out of our cynicism, our skepticism, our unwillingness to believe that the good
may be true, into a courageous faith concerning Your divine purposes. (Silent Prayers)**

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (sung)

Matthew 28:16-20

Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.

+Invitation to Baptism

The Meaning of Baptism

Questions to the Parents and to the Congregation

*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

The Apostles' Creed

Hymnal, p. 14

Prayer and the Act of Baptism

Greeting a Child of God

Leader: Charles Bailey King III is now identified as a child of God in Christ's Church. Through Baptism, God has put His seal upon Charles to share with us all the benefits of Christ's sacrifice. Let us be supportive of Bailey and Hannah as they nurture Charles and assist him to be a faithful disciple.

People: **With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Charles into Christ's Church, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage and support you, to share the good news of God's love with you, and to celebrate with you God's unfolding blessings.**

*HYMN

*I Was There To Hear Your Borning Cry***I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.****I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.****I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;****I'll be there in case you wander off and find where demons dwell.****When you found the wonder of the Word, I was there to cheer you on;****You were raised to praise the living God, to whom you now belong.****Should you find someone to share your time and join your hearts as one,****I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.****In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,****I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.****When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,****I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.****I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.****I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Kim Lee

Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, kindergarteners and first graders are invited to the Chapel. They will return to the Sanctuary during the Doxology.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 17:5-6, pew Bible, p.954

SERMON

"Simplicity and the Increase of Faith"

Rush Otey

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Gilbert Martin

*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 592)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

Thank You God, for one another. May we be understanding of each other in our foibles, and encouraging of one another. Help us more fully to understand what it means to be a part of the body of Christ. Remind us that Your Spirit equips us for ministry according to our ability. Remind us that we complement one another as we dedicate our abilities to Your Kingdom work, and that the fullness of Your Life continues to be made known through our life together. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 540

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

RANDOLPH

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

HALL

*POSTLUDE

Let All Creation Dance

arr. Michael Burkhardt

*Those who are able please stand.

+Ushers may seat late worshipers

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) re-affirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (your membership is with another church).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Classes, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn about our church and all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

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