

Washington Street United Methodist Church

(Pre-Videoed)

Washington Street UMC ~ Christ Chapel Liturgical Color: Green, symbolizing our life and growth in Christ October 25, 2020 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott Johann Gottfried Walther Louis Shirer, organ

WELCOME (Instructions for Interactive Worship)

You may create your sanctuary in any space, for all things belong to God. You are invited to light a candle with us, read the texts with us, and then sing along with the hymns and join in with the prayers as printed in the worship guide and on the screen.

CALL TO WORSHIP Love the Lord Your God GREAT COMMANDMENT Love the Lord, your God, with all your heart. Love the Lord, your God, with all your soul.

Love the Lord, your God, with all your mind.

Love the Lord, your God, with all that you are.

Madeline Beitel, mezzo soprano; Louis Shirer, organ

Words and Music: Jean and Jim Strathdee, 1991

OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, you not only welcome us, you receive us into yourself. Give us courage to be so open to others, to let them become so dear to us, that we might share not only your gospel but also our lives, through Christ, who makes room for us all. Amen. *

HYMN 110

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

EIN FESTE BURG

(vs. 1, 3, 4)

- 1. A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.
- And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hat willed his truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure; for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

4. That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gift are ours, thru him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill; God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever. Madeline Beitel, mezzo soprano; Louis Shirer, organ Words: Martin Luther, ca. 1529; trans. by Frederick H. Hedge, 1853 Music: Martin Luther, ca. 1529; harm. from *The New Hymnal for American Youth*, 1930

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 119:1-6

SOLO O God, your goodness Ludwig van Beethoven Madeline Beitel, mezzo soprano; Dr. Claudio Olivera, piano

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 22:34-46

PROCLAMATION

"A Series of Questions"

Rev. Parrish

HYMN 410

The Gift of Love

GIFT OF LOVE

- 1. Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.
- 2. Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.
- 3. Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship, and are freed.

Madeline Beitel, mezzo soprano; Louis Shirer, organ

Words: Hal Hopson, 1972; Music: Trad English melody, adapt. by Hal Hopson, 1972

BENEDICTION

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Our annual charge conference will be held on Monday, November 16, 2020 by zoom beginning after the conclusion of Church Council business beginning at 6:00. If you are not part of Church Council, but would like to participate in the Charge Conference, without vote, please contact Abbie McKenzie for the link. Reverend Parrish will be conducting the charge conference as requested by The Reverend Cathy Jamieson, District Superintendent.



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