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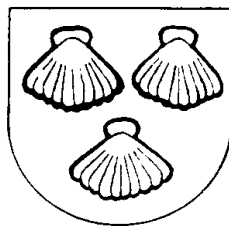


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Invitation and Gathering

Prelude	“Fantasy on the hymn ‘Holy, Holy, Holy’ Intro and Variations” Piet Post <i>Offered by Clarice Snyder</i>	
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Welcome		<i>Eddie Candee</i>
Introit	“Hymn of Promise”	<i>Handbell Choir</i>
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Gathering		<i>Eddie Candee</i>
Opening Prayer		<i>Eddie Candee</i>
	Holy God, source of all goodness, you gave your Son for the life of the world and sent your Spirit that your love might abide within us. Teach us how to love each other this day, that we may have life, and have it abundantly, with you, in Christ, and through the Holy Spirit. Amen.	
Opening Hymn	“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty”	<i>UMH 64</i>
	<p>1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!</p> <p>2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.</p> <p>3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love and purity.</p> <p>4. 4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity.</p> <p><small>Music: John B Dykes (1861) Words: Reginald Heber (1826) Public Domain</small></p>	
Scripture	“The Origins of the Triune God and His Promise” <i>John 1: 1-5, 14</i>	
Contextual Message		<i>Eddie Candee Rev. Patricia Abell</i>

Hymn**“Hymn of Promise”****UMH 707**

1. In the bulb there is a flower
 In the seed an apple tree
 In cocoons a hidden promise
 Butterflies will soon be free
 In the cold and snow of winter
 There's a spring that waits to be
 Unrevealed until its season
 Something God alone can see

2. There's a song in every silence
 Seeking word and melody
 There's a dawn in every darkness
 Bringing hope to you and me
 From the past will come the future
 What it holds a mystery
 Unrevealed until its season
 Something God alone can see

3. In our end is our beginning
 In our time infinity
 In our doubt there is believing
 In our life eternity
 In our death a resurrection
 At the last a victory
 Unrevealed until its season
 Something God alone can see

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Children's Message***Tainya Clarke*****Scripture**

**“Belief of the Triune God”
 John 14: 10**

***Edie Candee
 Rev. Patricia Abell***

Contextual Message**Music**

“We Will Keep Our Faith Alive”

Handbell and Chancel Choir

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Scripture

**“What the Spirit Brings?”
 2 Corinthians 3: 17**

***Edie Candee
 Rev. Patricia Abell***

Contextual Message**Music**

“How Can I Keep From Singing?”

Chancel Choir

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Scripture

**“A Charge to Keep I Have”
 Matthew 28: 18-20**

***Edie Candee
 Rev. Patricia Abell***

Contextual Message**Music**

“Lead On, Good Shepherd”

Praise Team

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Offering

*Doxology

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God All creatures here below
Alleluia alleluia
Praise God the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

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Offering Prayer

Scripture

“The Love of the Triune God Given to Us”
2 Corinthians 13: 14

Contextual Message

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Music

“Hallelujah”

Handbell Choir

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*Closing Hymn

“Here I Am, Lord”

UMH 593

1. I, the Lord of the sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I who have made the stars of the night,
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I the Lord of the snow and rain,
I have born my people’s pain
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

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Benediction

Rev. Patricia Abell

Who will go to serve our God?

Even when we feel fearful, we will go to serve the Lord.

Who will go to serve our neighbors?

Even when we feel unworthy, we will go to serve our sisters and brothers.

Who will go to serve our world?

Even when we feel unprepared, we will go to serve God's people.

We are your servants, Lord.

Send us.

Postlude

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Questions for Reflection

Jesus invites us to be born from above to receive new and abundant life. Salvation, or abundant life, is understood as a present reality in the Gospel of John. If the gift of God's love made known to us in Christ through the Spirit is stirred up by gratitude, what daily practice could increase your sense of gratitude? How could a simple practice of thanking God at any given moment in the day enliven your experience of salvation?

Household Prayer: Morning

Life-giving God, awaken me to your threefold presence in the world this day
that I may share your love with others
as freely as you have done for us in Christ. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Abba, I give thanks for the immeasurable gifts of this day,
above all, for the gift of your love made known in Christ.
How grateful I am that by his love I am counted as a precious member of your family.
Mere words cannot convey the wonder of this love. Amen.

Resources:

[The Abingdon Worship Annual 2024;](#)

Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year B, Volume 2

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