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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Celebration of Faith



January 24, 2021

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Traditional Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision

Mark Thewes

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: We come to worship Thou who art over us,

People: Thou who art one of us.

Liturgist: Thou who art.

People: Give us pure hearts, that we may see Thee;

Liturgist: Humble hearts, that we may hear Thee;

People: Hearts of love, that we may serve Thee;

All: Hearts of faith, the we may abide in Thee.

Dag Hammerskjold

HYMN

O For a Heart to Praise My God

No. 417

1.O for a heart to praise my God,
a heart from sin set free,
a heart that always feels thy blood
so freely shed for me.

2.A heart resigned,
submissive, meek,
my great Redeemer's throne,
where only Christ
is heard to speak,
where Jesus reigns alone.

3. A humble, lowly, contrite heart,
believing, true, and clean,
which neither life
nor death can part
from Christ who dwells within.

4. A heart in every thought renewed
and full of love divine,
perfect and right
and pure and good,
a copy, Lord, of thine.

5. Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart;
come quickly from above;
write thy new name
upon my heart,
thy new, best name of Love.

OPENING PRAYER

For Holiness of Heart

Howard Thurman

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
Here is the citadel of all my desiring,
where my hopes are born
and all the deep resolutions of my spirit take wings.
In this center, my fears are nourished,
and all my hates are nurtured.
Here my loves are cherished,
and all the deep hungers of my spirit are honored
without quivering and without shock.
In my heart, above all else,
let love and integrity envelop me
until my love is perfected and the last vestige
of my desiring is no longer in conflict with Thy spirit.
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Proverbs 3: 3-4; 2 Samuel 12: 1-7; 1 Samuel 16:6,7

Liturgist: The Word of God for God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

DOXOLOGY

Holy, Holy, Holy (vs. 4)

No. 64

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

AFFIRMATION of FAITH

I believe in God the Creator, who created us to be in community.
I believe in his Son, who showed us how to love with a clean heart.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit who is with us to direct us how to put love into action.
Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, forever. Amen

MESSAGE

"Heart Check"

Mrs. Jen Liedtka

1. Spirit of God,
descend upon my heart;
wean it from earth;
through all its pulses move;
stoop to my weakness,
mighty as thou art,
and make me love thee
as I ought to love.
2. I ask no dream,
no prophet ecstasies,
no sudden rending
of the veil of clay,
no angel visitant,
no opening skies;
but take the dimness
of my soul away.
3. Hast thou not bid me
love thee, God and King?
All, all thine own, soul,
heart and strength and mind.
I see thy cross;
there teach my heart to cling.
O let me seek thee,
And O let me find!
4. Teach me to feel
that thou art always nigh;
teach me the struggles
of the soul to bear.
To check the rising doubt
The rebel sigh,
Teach me the patience
Of unanswered prayer
5. Teach me to love thee
as thine angels love,
one holy passion
filling all my frame;
The kindling of the
heaven-descended Dove,
My heart an altar
And thy love the flame.

PRAYER of CONFESSION

Create in me a clean heart, O God.

Have mercy on me O God in your great kindness:
in the fullness of your mercy blot out my offenses.

Wash away all my guilt: and cleanse me from my sin.

Create in me a clean heart, O God.

For I acknowledge my faults: and my sin is always before me.

Against you only have I sinned and done evil in your sight.

Create in me a clean heart, O God.

Create in me a clean heart O God:
and renew a right spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your presence:
do not take your holy spirit from me.

Create in me a clean heart, O God.

Give me the joy of your help again: and strengthen me with a willing spirit.

O Lord open my lips: and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Create in me a clean heart, O God. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE*Into My Heart (Stanza 1)*

Into my heart, into my heart,
 Come into my heart, Lord Jesus;
 Come in today, Come in to stay,
 Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

Pastoral Prayer**Lord's Prayer****HYMN***Be Thou My Vision*

No. 451

1. Be thou my vision,
 O Lord of my heart;
 naught be all else to me,
 save that thou art.

Thou my best thought,
 by day or by night,
 waking or sleeping,
 thy presence my light.

2. Be thou my wisdom,
 and thou my true word;
 I ever with thee
 and thou with me, Lord;

thou and thou only,
 first in my heart,
 great God of heaven,
 my treasure thou art.

3. Great God of heaven,
 my victory won,
 may I reach heaven's joys,
 O bright heaven's Sun!

Heart of my own heart,
 whatever befall,
 still be my vision,
 O Ruler of all.

BENEDICTION

Liturgist: Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck,
 write them on the tablet of your heart.

Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man.

People: We leave now asking Christ to be in our hearts. Amen

SUNG RESPONSE*Into My Heart (Stanza 2)*

No. 2160

Out of my heart, out of my heart,
 Shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus;
 Shine out today, shine out alway;
 Shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus.

POSTLUDE*Prelude in C Major*

Johann Sabastian Bach

Our heart is where all that we think, say and do begins

- Proverbs 27:19
- Proverbs 4:23

Monitor the inputs to our hearts

- Philippians 4:8-9

Be in community with Godly people

- James 5:16
- Galatians 6:2
- Proverbs 27:17
- Samuel 12:1-7

Unlike the world, God looks first at the condition of our heart

- 1 Samuel 13:14
- 1 Samuel 16:1-11

The things we do when no one else is looking often reveal the condition of our heart

- 1 Samuel 16:11

Through the grace and forgiveness of Jesus, our heart may be cleaned and our spirit renewed

- Psalm 51:1-12

Final wisdom about what to carry in our heart

- Proverbs 3:3-4

Mission Statement for the Church of the Good Shepherd

We are committed to:

- * Connecting persons to Jesus Christ
- * Connecting with broken and hurting people
- * Challenging persons to grow and celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ
- * Equipping persons and partnering with them to serve in God-powered ministry

2021 Mission Support

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Calendar for Week of 1/24/21

SUNDAY

8:30 - Drive In Worship [Parking Lot]

9:45 - Contemporary [live stream / web]

9:45 - Sunday School [zoom]

11:00 - Traditional [web]

6-8 - Youth Night [zoom]

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

7:00 am - Prayer & Sacrament

7:00 pm—Celebrate Recovery

THURSDAY

12:30—Prayer Ministry

5:00—Contemporary Design

5:30—Traditional Design

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

7:00—Men's sm grp

9:00 - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal

6:00 - Drive In Worship [Parking Lot]

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