

Order of Worship

March 7, 2021

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

GREETING/PASSING THE PEACE

Rev. David C. Freeman

OPENING SONG 170

Oh How I Love Jesus

*There is a name I love to hear,
I love to sing its worth;
it sounds like music in my ear,
the sweetest name on earth.*

***(Refrain:)** O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!*

*It tells of one whose loving heart
can feel my deepest woe;
who in each sorrow bears a part
that none can bear below. **(Refrain)***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. David C. Freeman

CHILDREN'S TIME

Rev. David C. Freeman

LIGHTING OF THE EMPATHY CANDLE

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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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.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 2: 13-22

Kyle Linson

SERMON

Rev. Brittany Watson

OFFERTORY

The Church in the Wildwood
Kyle Linson & James Stanley

INVITATION

Rev. Brittany Watson

A LENTEN PRAYER FOR EMPATHY

Rev. Brittany Watson

God, our world is bent and broken, but this didn't stop you from showing your great love for us by sending your son to empathize with us in our weakness. Help me to do likewise. Help me to view each person the way you see them. I recognize that in order to do that, I must be willing to share in the pain of others. Give me the courage to do so and respond with compassion and love. Allow me to be a part of your grace to heal the brokenness in this world. Let empathy and restoration start with me. Amen.

CLOSING SONG 156

I Love to Tell the Story

*I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.*

(Refrain:) *I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.*

*I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems
than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.
I love to tell the story, it did so much for me;
and that is just the reason I tell it now to thee. (Refrain)*

*I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God's own holy Word. (Refrain)*

*I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. (Refrain)*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. David C. Freeman

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and
join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord.

God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you and blessed your Son Jesus Christ.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, Christ gave thanks to you, broke bread (*break the bread*), gave it to his disciples and said, "Take eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup (*pour into the chalice*), gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; for this is my blood poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice in union with Christ's offering for us as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world, the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

Amen. Amen. Amen. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.