

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP  
LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 11, 2018

11:00 A.M.

*Together in Christ, Reaching Beyond Our Doors.*

GATHERING TO PRAISE

PRELUDE "Larghetto" Vincent Persichetti

INTROIT "Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands" Children's Choir

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, GETTING ACQUAINTED

*Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance Card as it is passed.*

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*This is God's house – a place of peace where we befriend one another in the name of Christ. Greet those around you as a sign of God's peace and Christ's friendship.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 100—The Message)

One: On your feet now - applaud God!

**All: Bring a gift of laughter, sing yourselves into his presence.**

One: Know this: God is God. He made us; we didn't make him.

**All: We are his people, his well-tended sheep.**

One: Enter with the password: "Thank you!"

**All: Make yourselves at home, talking praise.**

One: Thank him. Worship him.

**All: For God is sheer beauty, all-generous in love,**

One: Loyal always and ever.

**All: Let us worship God with joy!**

\*HYMN "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" No. 89

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL AND CELEBRATION OF THE CHILDREN

"Jesus Loves Me" (congregation sings)

*Jesus loves me, this I know. For the Bible tells me so. Little one to him belong;  
they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me.  
Yes, Jesus loves me. The Bible tells me so.*

CONNECTING WITH GOD IN PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER "And Are We Yet Alive" No. 553 (vs. 1)

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE (in unison)

**God who provides, I want to rekindle my faith; I desire faith like a child,  
Pure, straightforward, and earnest. Help me to trust, as a child fully trusts their caregivers to  
love and guide them.**

**I am your child, O God, not because I am immature and incapable,  
But because I am beloved. I long for the simplicity of childhood, marked by joy, learning,  
and growth.**

**May I rediscover that which has been lost over time, And, once more, be like those children  
gracing Jesus' lap. We pray as your children the prayer Jesus taught...**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

No. 895

**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.**

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Celebrate"

arr. Keith Hampton

*Claire Olinik and Dave Chrostek, soloists*

Why don't you celebrate the blessings of the Lord, why don't you celebrate what God has already done? You need to thank Him for his mighty acts: how  
He turned you around so don't look back. Celebrate the goodness of the Lord. Celebrate!

Have faith in God for He will see you through. Trust and believe that He's right there just for you. Through troubled times in pain and despair. Yes my God  
will surely be there. Yes my God will be there. He'll be there, celebrate! For the Lord is high above the earth: Thou art exalted far above all gods. Rejoice in  
Holy God and give thanks. Yes my God will surely be there.  
Yes my God will be there. He'll be there, celebrate!

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 47: 1-2, 5-8; Mark 10: 13-16

(OT p. 519; NT p. 46)

**Leader: The Word of God.** All: For the People of God. **Leader: Thanks be to God.**

***Passionate Jesus—Recipe for a Wise Passionate Life:***

**SERMON**

**"Child-Like Joy"**

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

Offertory Hymn

"Stand Amazed in the Presence"

No. 371

\*Doxology

No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye  
heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

**GOING FORTH IN JOY**

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

**"Joy to The World"**

**No. 246 (vs. 1-2)**

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

"May the Heavenly Father"

Roger Wilson

\*POSTLUDE

"March Heroique"

Herbert Brewer