



# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

14th Sunday after Pentecost | September 6, 2020

PRELUDE *I Was There to Hear Your Borneing Cry* Ylvisaker/Kallman  
Sue Anderson, Susan Pierce, Wayne Tillman, Ken Curry; quartet

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP Lynn & Barry Auman, Chad Hammer; liturgists

*(All speak words in **boldface**.)*

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**maker of heaven and earth.** *Ps. 124:8*

God is our refuge and strength,

**a very present help in trouble.** *Ps. 46:1*

HYMN

*Morning Has Broken*

BUNESSAN

*Morning has broken like the first morning;*

*blackbird has spoken like the first bird.*

*Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!*

*Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!*

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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... and by your breath you gave us life.

**We glorify you.**

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... you opened the way to eternal life.

**We glorify you.**

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... our sure confidence and everlasting hope.

**We worship you. To you, O blessed Trinity,  
be glory and honor, forever and ever. Amen.**

*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;  
heirs of salvation, trusting the promise,  
faithfully now God's praises we sing.*

*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
marked with the sign of Christ our King;  
born of the Spirit, we are God's children;  
joyfully now God's praises we sing.*

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## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God is our refuge and strength  
A very present help in trouble.  
**Therefore we will not fear.**

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... Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**God of mercy, whose loving kindness endures forever: We confess that often we have failed to receive and give love; to care for others as we care for ourselves; to forgive and accept forgiveness. We remember good intentions that were not put into actions; harsh words that were hurtful; selfish purposes that caused pain; persistent pride that would not yield. We acknowledge our fear in the face of death and our failure to accept the hope you offer us in Christ. Hear us Lord in this silence as we make our confession to you. (Silence is kept) Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

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... you are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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... keep you in eternal life.  
**Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 8:31-39

The word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION

“To Whom Do We Belong”

Rev. Laura Viau

INVITATION TO LAMENT AND GRIEF

Hymn

*O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

HEAR MY PRAYER

***O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.  
O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.***

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Blessing on the Markers to be Installed and Recently Installed

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.... May these markers continue the witness of: Robert Calhoun,  
Lois Chadwick, Betty Coggins and Bill Sing

Flowers for Recent Losses

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.... and look forward to glad reunion in the life to come with:  
Harriet Thompson, Dave McPherson, John Montague, Betty Coggins,  
Robert Shupe, Libby Madison, Bill Sing, Wayne Smith and others

And the Many Other Losses We Are Grieving

Commendation and Letting Go

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.... Yet even at the grave we make our song:  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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.... our God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

We also bring the prayer that you taught your disciples to pray, saying:  
**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors' and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

HYMN

*For All the Saints*

SINE NOMINE

***For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!***

***O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle; they in glory shine;  
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!***

TEXT: William Walsham How, 1864 P.D. TUNE: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906 P.D.

BENEDICTION AND CHARGE

POSTLUDE

*For All the Saints*

arr. Robert A. Hobby

*(And viewing names on the columbarium)*

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