

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Jason W. Crosby

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ENTRANCE INTO WORSHIP

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

PRELUDE

Allegro

Domenico Scarlatti

INVOCATION

If spoken in a language that is unfamiliar to you, worshippers are invited to silently pray for God's presence to be felt in hearts and minds through our worship.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Your Decrees, O God, Are Wondrous

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Your decrees, O God, are wondrous; so we keep your law each day.

We rejoice! Your love is endless and it leads us to obey.

The unfolding of your teaching brings to shadowed places light,

Till the humble and the searching understand with new delight.

Your decrees, O God, are matchless; all you say, we will embrace.

Lord, we treasure your commandments and we celebrate your grace.

Every day we find we're singing; in our songs, your praise is heard.

Every day our hearts are clinging to the music of your word.

Your decrees are like a marvel; there is good news here to tell!

So we gladly sing the gospel, play the organ, sound the bell!

May our music rise to heaven; may our songs and spirits lift.

For your way is gracious, given as a good and wondrous gift.

Your decrees are like a measure; they expose the ways of sin,

Then you lead us to the treasure — That in Christ, your love will win.

So we sing against oppression, sing of hope that conquers pain,

Play the music of the kingdom, sing to welcome in your reign.

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, ©2017, based on Psalm 119:129-136

SCRIPTURE LESSON

I Kings 3:5-12

Kerri Richardson

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is

right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT *Handcuffed to Jesus* Regi Jones and Corrie Hammons

*HYMN OF JUSTICE 429 *Let Your Heart Be Broken* WYE VALLEY

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY THOUGHTFUL FAITH Jason W. Crosby

SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Andrea V. Woolley

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.

CHORAL OFFERING *Here I Am, Lord* Craig Courtney
Chancel Choir; June Bailey, conductor; Louie Bailey, piano

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

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?
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.

Dan Schutte, ©1981, based on Isaiah 6

*GLORIA PATRI 805 *Glory Be to the Father* GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.
Gloria Patri, 2nd century

*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND COMMUNITY

We gladly welcome all who desire to unite with the community of faith at Crescent Hill Baptist Church to come forward during the Hymn of Response and share that decision with the minister.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 669 *God of Grace and God of Glory* CWM RHONDDA

*BENEDICTION Jason W. Crosby

SILENCE

* Worshipers are invited to rise, in body or spirit.

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