

OCTOBER 22, 2017

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:45 AM

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

Please take a moment to complete the section at the top of the insert, fold and tear it off at the perforation and put it in the offering plate. Or, you may share contact info or comments with us by sending a text message to 502-295-0285.

ENTRANCE INTO WORSHIP

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

GATHERING SONG

Spirit of the Living God

IVERSON

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me: Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, move among us all; make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:
Humble, caring, selfless, sharing – Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!

St. 1, Daniel Iverson, 1926; St. 2, Michael Baughen, 1978

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 2 (ᾠδὴ)

Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

NICAEA

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Mark Bayman

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL REFLECTION

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION, arr. Emma Lou Diemer

Chancel Choir; June Bailey, conductor; Louie Bailey, piano

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."

When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
 For I will be with thee thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.
 When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie, my grace, all sufficient shall be thy supply;
 The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.
 The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
 That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!"

Rippon's Selection of Hymns, 1787, alt.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Andrea V. Woolley

*HYMN OF CALLING 580 (٥٢٢) *Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult* PLEADING SAVIOR

WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY IDOLS OF DEATH, GOD OF LIFE Jason W. Crosby

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Brittani M. Bair

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.

MUSICAL OFFERING Karen Vocal Ensemble

*PENTECOST DOXOLOGY 808 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDRETH

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 568 (٢٢٢) *Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated* HENDON

*BENEDICTION Jason W. Crosby

*SILENCE

*POSTLUDE *Morning Reflections* Louie Bailey

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

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