



September 20, 2020 * 8AM Worship

PRELUDE

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
Beethoven/Hayes

Judi Wilkinson, piano

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 126)

We gather to worship with expectations:

God revealed in new and astonishing ways.

God comes to us in real time. God comes to us in dreams.

Sometimes God's presence is hard to take in—difficult to believe.

O God, we long to believe. Help our unbelief!

God is present here. God is working in our midst.

Then our mouths are filled with laughter,

Our tongues shout out with joy!

OPENING PRAYER (based on Psalm 126)

Holy God, the world in which we live is as terrifying as it is wonderful.

We need Jesus as much today as in times of old.

Many sow in tears, and go out weeping.

Replenish our lands, fill our hearts with gladness,

restore our faith in you and each other, wipe away the tears of despair.

As we worship today, we tilt an ear to listen close.

Let the voice of your angel fill our minds with new understandings.

We are waiting for you. Speak to us today. Amen.

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
 We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
 For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.
 We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son
 is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

HYMNS

Judi Wilkinson

We invite you to listen to these familiar melodies as we celebrate God's presence with us.

Be Still and Know (arr. Kaiser)
 More Love to Thee (Doane/Berry)

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 126:2-3

*The Word of God for the people of God!
 Thanks be to God!*

MESSAGE

Rejoice: Joy in Our Past

Rev. Kim Kinsey

GIVING TALK AND PRAYER

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BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY

POSTLUDE

Aina Olonade

Today we celebrate "our four children in September - Happy Birthday to Clay, Ryan, Jason and Cari! – from Mom & Dad" from Bill & Pam Hooten.

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