



Celebration of Worship

Sunday, November 14, 2021
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
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Prelude Meditation on "All Night, All Day"

Words of Welcome Rev. Tiberi

Introit

All Night, All Day

Negro Spiritual

"All night, all day, the angels are a-watchin' over me, my Lord.

All night, and all day, oh the angels keep a-watchin' over me."

*Call to Worship

John Williams

Come, let us give thanks to God!

We gather together to praise the One who strengthens the weak, and hears the prayers of the forgotten.

Come, let us give thanks and worship to our God.

*Hymn Holy God, We Praise Your Name (Verses 1, 2, and 3) GROSSER GOTT (Music may be found on page 7.)

Prayer for Wholeness

Holy God, we open our hearts to you this day, and offer the truth of our lives: the fear that stifles us, the prejudice that blinds us, the ignorance that hobbles us, the doubt that plagues us.

Help us, we pray, that we will

find courage in unlikely places, see the world with new and gracious eyes, move to those places where love is needed, have faith that you are with us. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness (from Psalm 103)

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, abounding in love. For as far as the east is from the west, so far has God removed our transgressions from us.

Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Scripture Psalm 16: 1-2, 7-11

Message for All Ages

Music for Reflection

The Lamb

Justin Wallace

"Little Lamb, who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee? Gave thee life, and bid thee feed by the stream and o'er the mead;

Gave thee clothing of delight, softest clothing, woolly, bright; Gave thee such a tender voice, making all the vales rejoice?

Little Lamb, who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee? Little Lamb, I'll tell thee Little Lamb, I'll tell thee;

He is called by thy name, for he calls himself a Lamb. He is meek, and he is mild. He became a little child.

I, a child, and thou a lamb, we are called by his name. Little lamb, God bless thee! Little lamb, God bless thee!" Text: William Blake

Scripture I Samuel 1:1-20

Sermon The Story of Hannah

*Hymn

O God, What You Ordain is Right (Music may be found on page 8.)

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Invitation to the Offering [†]

Offertory Music

It's All Over Me

Negro Spiritual

"I say it's all over me, and it's keepin' me alive, Arr. Jester Hairston King Jesus is keepin' me alive.

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessin' tune my heart to sing thy grace.

Streams of mercy never ceasin' call for songs of louder praise.

I say it's all in my hand, and it's keepin' me alive,

King Jesus is keepin' me alive.

Thank God that heav'nly love is all in my heart, and it's keepin' me alive,

King Jesus is keepin' me alive."

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Let songs rise up from earth below; Let stars and galaxies enthrone; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One! Amen.

Prayers of the People Prayer of Jesus

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Spirit 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 Spirit, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Dedication of Offerings and of Pledges for 2022

Holy God, we give you thanks and praise for all that we have comes from you. In gratitude for all your gifts, we dedicate to you our pledges, our means, our thoughts, our words, our gifts, our deeds, the working of our hands, the thinking of our minds, and the loving of our hearts.

Guide us to use all that we have and all that we are for the building up of your church and the fulfillment of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Hymn Lord of All Good TOULON (Music may be found on page 9.)

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude Prelude in D Major J.S. Bach

Thank you to. . .

The Sanborn family for the flowers given in loving memory of Walter Sanborn.

Liturgist: John Williams

Chancel Choir Members Soprano: Anna Martin, Sipra Agrawal Kolar, Joan Sussman

Alto: Liz Jackson, Catherine LaValle, Emmalouise St. Amand Tenor: Jason Cloen, Mark Darling, Evan McMahon

Bass: Rob Brown, Bob Cowles, John DeHority, Alan Jones, Stephen Lloyd

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WELCOME to everyone who is visiting this morning! We are happy that you are here and invite you to come again.

We seek to use diverse images and liberating language about divine presence in our services of worship. Please feel free to adapt the words in hymns and prayers as needed so that they express your faith.

This is a Hearing Loop equipped sanctuary – please switch your hearing aid to the "T" (telephone) position.

This Week at Downtown Church

Sunday, November 14	Sunday, November 21
10:45 Nursery Care	10:45 Nursery Care
11:00 Worship	11:00 Worship
Preacher – Rev. Laurie Tiberi	Preacher – Rev. Laurie Tiberi
Liturgist – John Williams	Liturgist – Pat Tweet
Wednesday, November 17	
7:00 Choir Rehearsal	



Based on an 18th-century German metrical version of a celebrated 5th-century Latin hymn, *Te Deum laudamus*, this abbreviated 19th-century English paraphrase is sung by both Protestants and Roman Catholics. It is set here to the tune composed and named for the German version.

O God, What You Ordain Is Right

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A pastor wrote this text for a Christmas fair, which perhaps added echoes to the words "gifts" and "give" in the first two stanzas. But no hints are needed to grasp the full meaning of this hymn's final line. The text is set to a shortened form of a widely used Genevan tune.

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