TUSTIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WORSHIP



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10:00 a.m.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

Thomas P. Frost (1928–2014)

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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IN THE LIFE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Price

Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good.

He makes known His deeds among the peoples.

Sing to Him, sing praises to Him;

Let us tell of His wonderful works.

Seek the Lord and His strength;

Let us seek His presence continually.

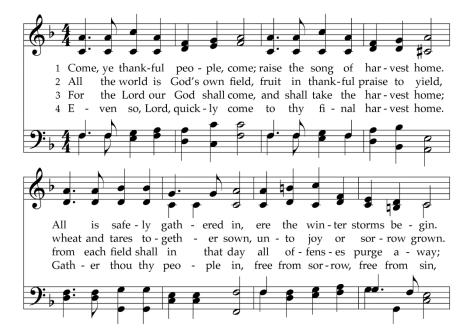
Praise ye the Lord.

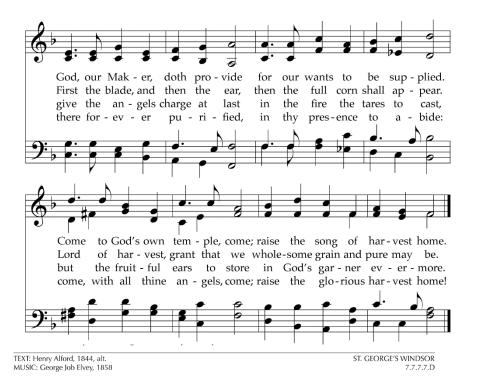
Adapted from Psalm 9

* OPENING HYMN

Hymn No. 367

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come





* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Bill Groves, Liturgist

Gracious God, whom we are called to love with whole heart, mind, soul, and bold strength: We know too well that often we have deflected Your direction for us to foster an open and loving world. We have acted selfishly. We have begrudged the good fortune of others. We have envied their positions and possessions. We have calculated expectations for our own welfare according to what we think we deserve, and we have let these egocentric expectations mar our relationships.

Forgive us, we pray, for our resentful and selfcentered attitudes and refresh our minds and hearts to embrace our neighbors' needs. Amen.

A moment of silence follows for personal confession.

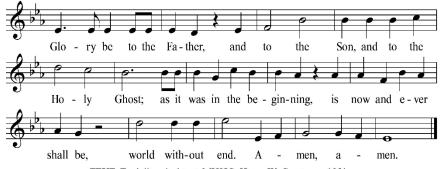
* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news:
Having confessed our sins,
God is faithful and just in forgiving us
and cleansing us from all unrighteousness.

Amen.

* GLORIA Hymn No. 581

Glory Be to The Father



TEXT: Trad. liturgical text; MUSIC: Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, help us to hear anew, familiar phrases and oft-told stories so that our faith may flourish through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Old Testament, Page 863

Jonah 3

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²"Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!"

⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. ⁶When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. ⁷Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh: "By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human being or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. ⁸Human beings and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. ⁹Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish." ¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

ANTHEM

Stanley Marchant (1883–1949)

The Souls of the Righteous

TPC Chancel Choir

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die, but they are in peace.

From Wisdom 3:1, 2

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SECOND LESSON

New Testament, Page 21

Matthew 20:1-16

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴ and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. 6And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' 8When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' 13But he replied to one

of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Dr. Rev. Joseph Price

Reversing Expectations

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns

Choral Call to Prayer

Prayers of the People

We thank You for biblical stories that generate new perspectives...

We pray for guidance in seeking justice...

We pray for healing in our war-torn world...

We pray for comfort for those whose lives have been turned upside down...

We pray for those in need of safety and hope...

We pray for help to reflect Your image to the world...

We pray for healing of every kind...

We offer our hearts for You to change... We offer ourselves to be the bearers of Your Good News to us...

Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

Glory to God, Page 35

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

* OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Arr. Graham Godfrey (1890–1955)

Be Thou My Vision

TPC Chancel Choir

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that Thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light. Be thou my wisdom, O Thou my true word; I ever with Thee, Thou with me, Lord. Thou my Redeemer, my love Thou has won; Thou in me dwelling and I one with Thee. High King of heaven, the victory won may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

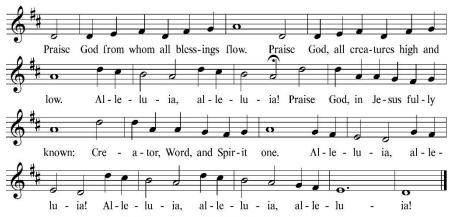
Eleanor Hull

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* OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Hymn No. 609

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow



TEXT: Brian Wren, 1989 © 1989 Hope Publishing Company MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesäng, 1623, alt.; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Help us, O Lord, who have received so freely from You to give generously in our turn and is so doing experience the joys of giving. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

Help Us Accept Each Other



Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The scriptural basis of this text is Romans 15:7, recast as a prayer in the opening two lines of the first stanza. The many implications of living as people who have been accepted by Christ fill the remaining stanzas. This tune was composed for the first publication of this text.

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* BENEDICTION AND BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Martha Sobaje (b. 1948)

Trumpet Tune

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GUEST PREACHER TODAY

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