

Sunday April 19th, 2020

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

One: We are born anew.

All: We have a living hope.

One: We have an enduring inheritance.

All: It is God's love for us.

One: We trust God.

All: We rejoice with hearts filled with praise.

One: Words cannot begin to express our joy.

All: How can we express what it means to be invited into God's presence?

One: Let us worship God this day.

The Lighting of the Christ Candle

Hymn: VU 190 "The Head That Once Was Crowned"

Prayer of Approach (said together)

Loving God, you are our refuge and our hope. You instruct us in your truth and teach us the ways that lead to life. Through your Son, Jesus, we inherit the abundance of your grace. Even when the way is difficult, even when we struggle, you are with us. Speak your word of peace to our hearts, that we too may proclaim Jesus as Lord. Amen.

Good News Time

The Lord's Prayer

Minute For Mission – Dalhousie University Chaplaincy

Hymn: VU 260 "God Who Gives To Life Its Goodness"

Prayer of Reflection (said together)

We haven't seen the truth. We have only heard what others have said. We worry that our doubts keep us from true belief. We reject the rich

inheritance you offer us as we pursue our own foolish ways. Yet we long to know the truth and to understand you fully. Come to us, bringer of peace. Forgive our doubts; show us your ways, and lead us into your truth. Amen.

Time of Reflection

Words of Assurance

One: God is our refuge, protecting us, instructing us, and leading us on the way that leads to life.

All: Through the grace and power of the Holy Spirit, we are forgiven. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 85

Gospel Reading: John 20: 19-31

Anthem: Andrew Peterson – *“Is He Worthy?”*

Message: Locked and Alone

Hymn: VU 185 “You Tell Me That The Lord Is Risen”

The Offering

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures high and low,
Give thanks to God in love made known,
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.***

Prayers of the People

Hymn: VU 238 “O Lord My God (How Great Thou Art)”

The Blessing and Benediction

***Go now in peace, never be afraid;
God will go with you each hour of every day;
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true;***

***Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe;
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above!
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen. Amen. Amen.***

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Postlude: Simon Khorolskiy – “Sing Hallelujah To The Lord”