

Order of Worship: October 11, 2020 "Until Christ Comes..."

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Prelude on 'Resignation' arr. D. Phillips Gaye Herndon, organ

Candle Lighting Hartley Bryant, acolyte

Welcome Rev. Becky Rokitowski

Opening Hymn: Eternal God Transcending Time W&S #3030

Affirmation of Faith World Methodist Social Affirmation #886

We believe in God, creator of the world and of all people; and in Jesus Christ, incarnate among us, who died and rose again; and in the Holy Spirit, present with us to guide, strengthen, and comfort.

We believe; God, help our unbelief.

We rejoice in every sign of God's kingdom: in the upholding of human dignity and community; in every expression of love, justice, and reconciliation; in each act of self-giving on behalf of others; in the abundance of God's gifts entrusted to us that all may have enough; in all responsible use of the earth's resources.

Glory be to God on high; and on earth, peace.

We confess our sin, individual and collective, by silence or action:

through the violation of human dignity based on race, class, age, sex, nation, or faith; through the exploitation of people because of greed and indifference;

through the misuse of power in personal, communal, national, and international life; through the search for security by those military and economic forces that threaten human existence;

through the abuse of technology which endangers the earth and all life upon it.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

We commit ourselves individually and as a community to the way of Christ; to take up the cross; to seek abundant life for all humanity; to struggle for peace with justice and freedom;

to risk ourselves in faith, hope, and love, praying that God's kingdom may come.

Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Lynne Pennock

Children's Chat Jill Merryday

Scripture Luke 6:27-38 (NRSV) Lynne Pennock

Sermon "Until Christ Comes..." Rev. Rokitowski

Holy Communion

Anthem All to Us, arr. M. McDonald Cynthia Prescott, Gary Eggebraaten,

Jay Novak, Rollen Thomas

Closing Hymn Freely, Freely #398

Blessing

May God, eternal and ever faithful, transform us, equip us, empower us, and be with us until Christ comes in final victory.

Postlude