

An Affirmation of Our Faith – “The Apostles’ Creed”

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sin, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Recognition of Michael Roggmann

Luann Scott

Benediction

Congregational Response

“There’s A Quiet Understanding”

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1. There’s a quiet understanding when we’re gathered in the Spirit; it’s a promise that he gives us, when we gather in his name. There’s a love we feel in Jesus, there’s a manna that he feeds us; it’s a promise that he gives us, when we gather in his name.
2. And we know when we’re together, sharing love and understanding, that our brothers and our sisters feel the one-ness that he brings. Thank you, thank you, thank you, Jesus; for the way you love and feed us, for the many ways you lead us thank you, thank you, Lord. Thank you, thank you Lord. Thank you thank you - Lord.

Our weekly service of Prayer & Praise held Wednesdays from 10:30 to 11:00 am, meeting January 20, is the morning of the inauguration of our newly elected President and Vice-President. Reverend Askew believes there is a great need to gather those who are able to spend a half hour in prayer and praise of God. Remaining mindful that our citizenship is first of the Kingdom of God, all members of the congregation and community are invited to gather in prayer for all elected and appointed leaders of our Commonwealth, nation and territories. (Masks are required to enter and safe distancing seating is expected of all.)

The flowers this morning were given to the Glory of God by
the Men’s Fellowship.

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January 17, 2021



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Prelude **“Doxology/Lean on Me/We Shall Overcome”**
From the Musical Homeland
Arranged by Jay Rouse

Call to Worship Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.
Unison: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Invocation & The Lord’s Prayer

Scripture **I Samuel 3:8-19** **Pat Ambrose**

Morning Prayer (Following each petition the response is: Lord, Hear our prayer.)

Leader: Almighty and gracious God, we are thankful for your eternal presence and for the love you share among all persons through your Son, Jesus Christ. We thank you for your Holy Spirit that guides and comforts. Hear these words and those of our hearts that we share at this moment.

Remember those who are not at peace with themselves having lost the spark of your presence within their life. Place in their path your faithful witness of love and mercy that their heart would not harden against the joys of life and those whom they love. This we pray.

Leader: Remember those who find themselves the caretaker of others, especially those who no longer recognize them as spouse or children. Give them the strength of grace to see beyond the challenge and take comfort in their ability to provide the loving care needed. Bring to the caretaker moments of assistance by their friends and others so that they may enjoy times of refreshment. This we pray.

Leader: Remember those who seek changes in our world, that they see beyond personal need and work toward the welfare of all. Bless with your comfort those who must endure change within their lives that come with aging, employment, relationships and the unplanned challenges of life. Make your presence known in all times of struggle and give clear light toward a resolution of peace and contentment. This we pray.

Leader: Look with favor upon the Commonwealth of Virginia and all who live within the states and territories of our nation; that by your presence and guidance, O Lord, we may use our liberties for your glory and the welfare and progress of all persons. This we pray.

Leader: Be with your Church and the houses of faith throughout our country that all would be guided by your unconditional love and grace. Hinder the grief that comes from the lack of understanding and intolerance that all your children may live in peace. This we pray.

Leader: We lift up the lives of those within our congregation and community who are in need of your healing spirit. Especially - We pray for the ministry of our community of faith and neighboring congregations that we may at all times follow our Savior in the ways of justice and mercy for your glory. We humbly pray in the name of Jesus our Lord.

Unison: Amen

Solo **“Here I Am, Lord”**

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Refrain: “Here I am Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.”

Sermon **“What God Sees in Us”**

“Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” – Jn 1:47

1. Winners and Losers: “The boy Samuel ministered before the Lord under Eli. In those days the word of the Lord was rare; there were not many visions.” (I Sam 3:1)
2. Snoozers and Losers: “For I told him that I would judge his family forever because of the sin he knew about, his sons made themselves contemptible, and he failed to restrain them.” (I Sam 3:13)
3. To Train or Complain: “I tell you the truth, you shall see heaven open.” (Jn 1:51)

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The Family of Thomas Eanes

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David & Becky Jenkins and children (all suffering with covid)
Kathryn Jenkins
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