

The Worship of God

Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost
September 13, 2020

We Gather in God's Presence

Greeting

Rev. Dr. Jeff Hayes

As you gather for worship in whatever space you find yourself, center your heart and spirit on God's presence in your life.

Lighting of the Altar Candles

The light symbolizes the presence of God in our worship and in our lives.

Presenting the Cross

The cross symbolizes the grace of God given freely to all people

Call to Worship

Mrs. Leigh Reynolds

Who is like you, O Lord, majestic in holiness and awesome in splendor?

We will sing to the Lord, for God has triumphed gloriously.

God is our strength, our might, and our salvation!

Let us sing songs of praise!

Hymn of Praise

Here I Am to Worship

*Light of the world, You step down into darkness, open my eyes let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore you, hope of a life spent with you*

*Here I am to worship; Here I am to bow down; Here I am to say that you're my God
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me, my love*

*King of all days, so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above
Humbly you came to the earth you created, all for love's sake became poor*

*So, here I am to worship; Here I am to bow down; Here I am to say that you're my God
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me*

I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross (repeat 3 times)

*Here I am to worship; Here I am to bow down; Here I am to say that you're my God
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me*

We Hear God's Word

Scripture

Mr. Miller Hoffman

Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt." Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters



forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

The world of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Song

Wade in the Water

*Wade in the water, wade in the water, children,
Wade in the water, God's a-gonna trouble the water
See that hosts all dressed in white, God's a-gonna trouble the water
The leader looks like the Israelite, God's a-gonna trouble the water
Wade in the water, wade in the water, children,
Wade in the water, God's a-gonna trouble the water
See that band all dressed in red, God's a-gonna trouble the water
Looks like the band that Moses led, God's a-gonna trouble the water*

We Grow from God's Word

Prayers of the People

Rev. Dr. Hayes

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Hayes

We Respond to God's Word

Song

That's What Faith Can Do

*Everybody falls sometimes, gotta find the strength to rise
From the ashes and make a new beginning
Anyone can feel the ache, You think it's more than you can take
But you're stronger, Stronger than you know
Don't you give up now the sun will soon be shining
You gotta face the clouds to find the silver lining*

Refrain:

*I've seen dreams that move the mountains,
Hope that doesn't ever end even when the sky is falling
I've seen miracles just happen, silent prayers get answered
Broken hearts become brand new
That's what faith can do*

*It doesn't matter what you've heard impossible is not a word
It's just a reason for someone not to try
Everybody's scared to death when they decide to take that step
Out on the water, it'll be alright
Life is so much more than what your eyes are seeing
You will find your way if you keep believing (Refrain)*

*Overcome the odds, You don't have a chance
When the world says you can't, it'll tell you that you can*

*I've seen dreams that move the mountains
Hope that doesn't ever end even when the sky is falling
And I've seen miracles just happen, silent prayers get answered
Broken hearts become brand new, that's what faith can do
That's what faith can do
Even if you fall sometimes, You will have the strength to rise.*

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Benediction

