Order for Worship October 18, 2020

Welcome Steve Wilson

Minute for Mission

Dan Weightman, Caribbean Youth Network

Introit

O Sing Unto the Lord

Gail Roup, Soprano Noel Rawsthorne

O sing unto the Lord a new song.

Let the congregation of saints praise Him.

Let them praise His name in the dance.

Let them sing praises unto Him with tabret [timbrel/tambourine] and harp.

Let the Saints be joyful in glory.

O sing unto the Lord a new song.

-Psalm 149

Call to Worship Steve Wilson

Leader: We come in reverent awe before the Lord our God for great is the Lord!

People: We come to join with all creation in singing new songs to the Lord our God.

Leader: We come in worship and praise for the Lord God is worthy of our praise!

People: We come, to share together the news of our Glorious Lord's saving deeds. Leader: We come, to bring our offerings of worship and praise to the Lord our God.

People: We gather to worship God, within the light of God's holiness, justice, mercy

and love.

(Psalm 96)

Hymn of Praise

Please join in singing

God, You Spin the Whirling Planets

Hymnal, No. 285

God, You spin the whirling planets, fill the seas and spread the plain, Mold the mountains, fashion blossoms, call forth sunshine, wind, and rain. We, created in Your image, would a true reflection be of Your justice, grace, and mercy and the truth that makes us free.

You have called us to be faithful in our life and ministry. We respond in grateful worship joined in one community. When we blur Your gracious image, focus us and make us whole. Healed and strengthened as Your people, we move onward toward Your goal.

God, Your word is still creating, calling us to life made new.

Now reveal to us fresh vistas where there's work to dare and do.

Keep us clear of all distortion. Polish us with loving care.

Thus, new creatures in Your image, we'll proclaim Christ everywhere.

Words: Jane Parker Huber Music: *AUSTRIAN HYMN* - Franz Joseph Haydn

Prayer of the Day Steve Wilson

Prayer of Confession

Ronnie Bailey

Leader: This is a moment given by God to confess our sins against each other.

People: Let us take this moment to account for the ways in which we have not embodied what it means to be created in the image of God.

Leader: Holy God, we confess that too often we have not been open to the rhythms of life You offer to us.

People: We allow ourselves to wander off into ourselves, too often let the world confuse us and lead us on paths that are not according to Your love and direction.

Leader: Help us pay attention with all of our senses. Help us take the risks that are part of letting you lead.

People: Clean our hearts, purify our hands and steady our feet that we might know and share your blessings.

.....moment of silent confession

Leader: The God of Hosts assures us that if we trust God, God is eager to show us the path home. Forgiving God accept this prayer offered through Jesus the Christ.

People: Amen

Prayer for Illumination Scripture Reading Ronnie Bailey Psalm 99

The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he! Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob. Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he! Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name. They cried to the Lord, and he answered them. He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them. O Lord our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings. Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Scripture Reading

Matthew 22:15-22 (Oxford Study Bible)

Don Ewing

Scripture text not available. *The Word of the Lord*

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Giving Back to God What is Already His

Ministry of Music

Gail Roup, Soprano

Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated

arr. Mark Hayes

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.

Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise;

Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.

Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee,

Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King. Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee, Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my will and make it Thine: it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself and I will be, ever, only, all for Thee.

Ever, only, all for Thee.

-Francis R. Havergal

Faith Community & Other Concerns, the Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Steve Wilson

Hymn of Dedication

Lord, You Love the Cheerful Giver

Please join in singing

Lord, You love the cheerful giver who with open heart and hand, Blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us, then, the grace of giving with a spirit large and true, that our life and all our living, we may consecrate to You.

Blest by You with gifts and graces, may we heed Your Spirit's call, gladly in all times and places, give to You who gives us all. You have bought us; now no longer, can we claim to be our own; ever free and ever stronger, we shall serve You, Lord, alone.

Words: Robert Murray, abr. alt. Music: *BEECHER* – John Zundel

Charge and Blessing

Don Ewing

Postlude *Rigaudon*

Michael Frank Andre Campra (1660-1744)

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Thank you!