

# FLORISSANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 30, 2020

10:15 AM

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Welcome! We are so happy to have you join us in-person, on Facebook live, or outside in our drive-in for worship today. If you are participating in our drive-in-service, please tune your FM receiver to the 107.9 station and you will be able to hear in stereo from inside your car.

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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

### HYMN: Open the Eyes of My Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord  
Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You  
I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord  
Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You  
I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up  
Shinin' in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love  
As we sing holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy  
Holy, holy, holy  
Holy, holy, holy, I want to see You

### CALL TO WORSHIP: (Psalm 105: 1-6, 23-26,45)

One: O give thanks to the LORD, call on God's name, make known the LORD's deeds among the peoples.

**Many: Sing to God, sing praises to the LORD; tell of all God's wonderful works.**

One: Glory in God's holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

**Many: Seek the LORD and God's strength; seek the LORD's presence continually.**

One: Remember the wonderful works God has done, God's miracles, and the judgements the LORD has uttered, O offspring of God's servant Abraham, children of Jacob, the LORD's chosen ones.

**Many: Then Israel came to Egypt; Jacob lived as an alien in the land of Ham.**

One: And the LORD made God's people very fruitful, and made them stronger than their foes, whose hearts the LORD then turned to hate God's people, to deal craftily with God's servants.

**Many: God sent the LORD's servant Moses, and Aaron whom God had chosen, that they might keep the LORD's statutes and observe God's laws.**

**All: Praise the LORD!**

**OPENING PRAYER** Unison

**In the welcome of the Holy Trinity, we gather here to pray and worship. Help us place the stress, worries, and struggles of our lives, communities, and nation into Jesus' hands. O Heavenly Father, gather us as Your children in our sanctuary, our parking lot, and at home to find the refreshing energy and commitment that comes in faithfully following the way of sacrificial love. In this time of prayer and worship, let us trust the truth of God's steadfast love and experience Jesus' saving presence through our unity in the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**HYMN:** Holy, Holy, Holy

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee  
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Unison

**Ever present God, we try to hide our wrongdoings and hope no one will ever know. Yet, we cannot hide our guilt from ourselves, and most certainly we cannot hide our sin from You. How broken and twisted are we, knowing what is right, yet failing to do it. Forgive, we pray, our sins which keep us from following You, Lord Jesus, and from being the disciples You call us to be. Amen.**

*Time for silent, personal prayer*

### **PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE**

#### **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (all sing)

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. (x 3)  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

#### **SCRIPTURE**

##### **Exodus 3:1-15**

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God

of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.’ And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, ‘I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.’ But Moses said to God, ‘Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?’ He said, ‘I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.’

But Moses said to God, ‘If I come to the Israelites and say to them, “The God of your ancestors has sent me to you”, and they ask me, “What is his name?” what shall I say to them?’ God said to Moses, ‘I AM WHO I AM.’ He said further, ‘Thus you shall say to the Israelites, “I AM has sent me to you.” ’ God also said to Moses, ‘Thus you shall say to the Israelites, “The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you”: This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

### **Romans 12:9-21**

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, ‘Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.’ No, ‘if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.’ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**SERMON:** Holy Ground

**HYMN:** We Are Standing on Holy Ground (3x)

We Are Standing on Holy Ground  
And I Know, I Know There Are Angels All Around  
Let Us Praise, Praise Him Now  
For We Are Standing in His Presence On Holy Ground

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Sharing Joys & Concerns  
Pastoral Prayer

**OFFERTORY/ANTHEM**

**DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below:  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** Unison

**Almighty God, we give our offerings for the making of new disciples and to take the hope of the cross out to our world. Lord of all, bless our offerings today. Amen.**

**CONGREGATIONAL LIFE and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN:** Take My Life

1. 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.
2. 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.

3. 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.
  
4. Take my silver and my gold;  
not a mite would I withhold;  
take my intellect and use  
every power as thou shalt choose,  
every power as thou shalt choose.
  
5. 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,  
it shall be thy royal throne.
  
6. 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.

## **CHARGE and BLESSING**

## **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

May the Lord, mighty Lord, bless and keep you forever.  
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor  
Lift your eyes and see his face and his grace forever.  
May the Lord, mighty Lord, bless and keep you forever.

## **POSTLUDE**