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February 7, 2021

Gathering Music

“Glorify Thy Name”

Father, we love you; we worship and adore you.

Glorify thy name in all the earth.

Glorify thy name. Glorify thy name.

Glorify thy name in all the earth!

Jesus, we love you . . .

Spirit, we love you . . .

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer

Prelude

Responsive Reading      Isaiah 40:21-24, 28-31

One: Have you not known? Have you not heard?

Our God sits above the circle of the earth;  
its inhabitants are like grasshoppers.

**All: Our God stretches out the heavens like a curtain,  
spreads them like a tent to live in.**

One: Our God brings princes to naught,  
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

**All: Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,  
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,  
when you blow on them, God, and they wither;  
the tempest carries them off like stubble.**

One: Have we not known, O God? Have we not heard?  
You are God, the everlasting Creator.

**All: You do not faint or grow weary;  
your understanding is more than we can grasp.  
You give power to the faint;  
you strengthen the powerless.**

One: Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;

**All: But those who wait for you shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.  
All glory, honor and praise be yours, O God, now and forever. Amen.**

Hymn      “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

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!

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.

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!  
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Prayer of Confession: **Loving God, you give us voices tuned to songs of gratitude and joy, and we fill your ear with bitterness and strife. You give us hands ideally formed for tender loving care, and we ball them into fists and hurt each other. You give us hearts of yielding flesh to fill your world with kindness, and we trade them in for hearts of stone and fill our world with fear. Forgive us, O God, for misusing your gifts, for walking away from our calling. In your mercy, take away our sin and fill us again with your purpose. We ask in the name of Jesus, who taught us to trust in your grace. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Lifting up our Joys and Concerns  
Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

Special Music

Dedicating our Gifts: Doxology and Offering prayer

Second Reading      Mark 1:29-39

Sermon

Hymn      "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

I am weak but Thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to Thee.

[Refrain] Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
Daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Thro' this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.

[Refrain]

When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;  
Guide me gently, safely o'er to Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore.

[Refrain]

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Communion Prayer:

**You have given yourself to us, loving God, in the simple food and drink we have shared. Jesus has been here. Even now, his presence is strengthening us to be his Body. God, give us courage; make us whole and give us peace. Fill us with Holy Spirit and send us out to touch the world with your healing Presence; through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Friend. Amen.**

Hymn                    “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

I have decided to follow Jesus;  
I have decided to follow Jesus;  
I have decided to follow Jesus;  
no turning back, no turning back.

Though none go with me, I still will follow;  
though none go with me, I still will follow;  
though none go with me, I still will follow;  
no turning back, no turning back.

Benediction

Response            “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

The world behind me, the cross before me;  
the world behind me, the cross before me,  
the world behind me, the cross before me;  
no turning back, no turning back.

Postlude