

Welcome to Worship with Church of the Pilgrims

Sunday, May 12, 2024 11:00 a.m.

We are pilgrims, together on a spiritual journey, trusting God to show us the way.

We welcome you to come and seek, to study and question, to pray and sing, and to worship and wonder.

**Please stand, in body or in Spirit, when indicated.*

GATHERING

Prelude

Allegro moderato in D minor

Franz Walczynski

***Call to Worship (Adapted from Psalm 30)**

One: Sing praises to God, O you God's faithful ones, and give thanks in Their name.

Many: **We will sing, and celebrate, and share your story, O Holy One.**

One: For You have drawn me up, and didn't let me remain in distress,

Many: **For when I cried to You for help, you showed up and healed me,**

One: For You are the one who found my whole soul in Sheol, and brought me back to life.

Many: **So my soul cannot be silent, it must sing of your wonders.**

One: For weeping may linger through the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Many: **God we gather in your presence, cry out in our prayers, and rest in your grace this morning.**

One: Find us here, find us together, find us in faith.

Many: **Come, friends, let us worship our God!**

One: Come, let us sing praises to our God, O you faithful ones!

***Hymn #734**

Hope of the World

Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer (Unison)

Holy God, in a world of chaos and worry, we turn to you for hope. We seek your justice, peace, and faithfulness. On days when we are weary, in moments when we are frightened, in seasons when we carry guilt and shame, O God, be with us. Forgive any wrongs and renew every spirit. Hear our whispered prayers and give us courage to keep trying to love and serve in your name. When all feels lost, remind us that your story is never done. Show us your resurrection power, again and again. Inspire us with your spirit of renewal, your steadfast companionship, and your everlasting love. Amen.

Peace

May the peace of God be with you all. And also with you.

Please share a sign of God's peace with one another.

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Anthem #836

Abide With Me

Verses 1, 3, and 5

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-26, 51-58

Sermon

Hymn #434

Restore in Us, O God

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Offering and Announcements

You can share with Pilgrims and our community by leaving a donation in the basket on the communion table or give online either by scanning the QR code, visiting our website at www.churchofthepilgrims.org or texting "PILGRIMS" to 73256.



Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

***Closing Song**

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

***Benediction**

Postlude

Moderato in Eb

C. A. Kern

Thank you for joining us for worship today.

You are invited to stay after worship for a time of fellowship in the sanctuary.

Participating in today's worship service: Jean Stewart, liturgist;

Nancy Daugherty, tech volunteer; Dan Shore, music; Erin Counihan, preaching

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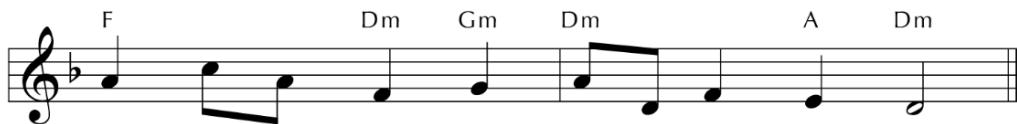
1 Hope of the world, thou Christ of great com - pas - sion:
 2 Hope of the world, God's gift from high - est heav - en,
 3 Hope of the world, a - foot on dust - y high - ways,
 4 Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us
 5 Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death vic - to - rious,



speak to our fear - ful hearts by con - flict rent;
 bring - ing to hun - gry souls the bread of life:
 show - ing to wan - dering souls the path of light:
 from death and deep de - spair, from sin and guilt:
 who by this sign didst con - quer grief and pain:



save us, thy peo - ple, from con - sum - ing pas - sion,
 still let thy Spir - it un - to us be giv - en
 walk thou be - side us lest the tempt - ing by - ways
 we ren - der back the love thy mer - cy gave us;
 we would be faith - ful to thy gos - pel glo - rious;



who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.
 to heal earth's wounds and end our bit - ter strife.
 lure us a - way from thee to end - less night.
 take thou our lives and use them as thou wilt.
 thou art our Lord! Thou dost for - ev - er reign!

This winning entry by a groundbreaking woman theologian was selected from over five hundred others in a search for a hymn to be used at the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Evanston, Illinois, in October 1954. The theme of the assembly was "Jesus Christ, Hope of the World."

836 Abide with Me

1 A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide.
 2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
 3 I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;
 4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
 5 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;

The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide!
 earth's joys grow dim; its glo - ries pass a - way;
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
 shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.

When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 change and de - cay in all a - round I see.
 Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 Heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;

help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
 O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me.
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

By blending end of day and end of life, the imagery of this well-known Victorian hymn has made it valuable for both evening services and funerals. Although the author wrote his own music for it, the present tune has been firmly associated with this text for over 150 years.

Restore in Us, O God

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Capo 1: (Em) (Bm7) (Em)(Bm7) (Em) (C) (Bm)
 Fm Cm7 Fm Cm7 Fm D^b Cm



1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen-dor of your love;
 2 O Spir - it, wake in us the won - der of your power;
 3 Bring us, O Christ, to share the full - ness of your joy;
 4 Three - per - soned God, ful - fill the prom - ise of your grace,

(Am7) (Em) (Am) (Bm) (Em) (Bm7) (Em)
 B^bm7 Fm B^bm Cm Fm Cm7 Fm



re - new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.
 from fruit - less fear un - furl our lives like spring - time bud and flower.
 bap - tize us in the ris - en life that death can - not de - stroy.
 that we, when all our search - ing ends, may see you face to face.

This text reflects the historic understanding of Lent as a time to prepare catechumens for Baptism and penitents for reconciliation at the Easter Vigil. The first three stanzas address one of the three divine Persons, while the fourth stanza implores the help of the full Trinity.

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Praise God from whom all blessings
flow. Praise Him, all creatures here be -
low. Praise Him a - bove, ye heav - en - ly
host. Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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