



*21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*  
October 25, 2020  
*“Faith in Pandemic” Series*

**Prelude** *Fanfare on National Hymn, God of Our Fathers, Martha Main, YouTube*

**We are Called to Worship** - You, O God, know our hearts. Guide our hearts, O God. You, O God, see our ways. Shape our ways, O God. You, O God, call our spirits. Call us now, O God, as we call on you. Let us worship.

**Gathering Prayer** - Happy are we, O God, when our hearts are full, our ways are yours, our spirits enlivened by your call. Happy are we, O God, when our lives are guided by delight. We gather today for just that, holy God. We gather to draw on all you would give us to be more fully yours. In Jesus’ name. Amen.+

**Song 1** *He Leadeth Me, 499, YouTube*

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

**A Time of Prayer:** *You are welcome to send prayer requests to Pastor Sarah. Spend a few moments connecting with God and lifting up your prayers.*

**The Lord's Prayer** (unison)

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.

## Song 2

*Give Thanks, 359, YouTube*

### **We Hear God's Word**

Philippians 4:4-9

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup> Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup>Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

### **Virtual Choir**

*I Love to Tell the Story, verse 3*

### **Meditation**

“Faith in Pandemic,” Kristen Gephart

### **Special Music**

*Let There Be Peace on Earth, Martha Main, YouTube*

### **We Respond to God's Word with Our Giving**

#### **Offertory**

You're invited to take out your checkbook in these moments. As you write out your offering, be prayerful with each letter and number. In times such as these, when money becomes tight and our economy is under strain, God invites us to be generous and give what we can. These are gifts we freely give, as we are able and as we are called.

We ask that you please mail in your offerings to our office.

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**The Doxology** (Please sing the version that is most meaningful to you)

*Version 1*

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

*Version 2*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit One. Amen.*

**We Give Thanks** – With what you see before us, God, we demonstrate our deepest love. Receive our gifts – our very best – as sweet offerings before you. May they be the blessing to others that they have been for us. Amen.+

**Song 3**

*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus, 442, YouTube*

**We Are Sent Forth with a Blessing** - God's love sends us forth. God's love sets us free. God's love makes us whole. God's love brings us hope. God's love blesses our lives. God's love brings healing to our world. Go forth, with God's love, to love and serve the LORD. Amen.~

**Postlude**

*Battle Hymn of the Republic Martha Main, YouTube*

Worship Notes: ~Abingdon Worship Annual. +UCC Worship Ways