



23rd Sunday after Pentecost
November 8, 2020

Prelude *Jesus Loves Me/O How He Loves You and Me*, Martha Main, YouTube

We are Called to Worship - Our ancestors have led us here. We are witnesses of their faith. The wisdom of the ages has called us here. We are children of its call. The choice to follow God lies before us. We are heirs of its promise. The Lord of life has called us here. We are here to worship the Lord.~

Gathering Prayer - We long to have the courage to choose you, O God, each and every day. We yearn for the forbearance to wait patiently, through the long watches of the night—for we long to be found ready, when you appear in your glory. Fill our lamps with your grace, that we might share your light with our children and with the generations to come. Amen.~

Song 1

This is the Day, 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

Just A Closer Walk With Thee, YouTube

We Hear God's Word Matthew 7:7-8 & Philippians 4:6, included in reflection

Special Music “Here I Am to Worship,” Collin Bennington, Martha Main

Meditation “Plodding Along,” Michelle Van Dyke

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.

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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 – We come before you, O God, with gifts in your name in the service of the world. We bring you this offering, as a symbol of our choice to follow you. Receive these gifts of love, that they may go forth as your blessing and wisdom for the world. Amen.~

Song 3

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less, YouTube

We Are Sent Forth with a Blessing - Go forth this day and keep your lamps lit. Let us go with hearts ablaze with God's love. Go forth this day and shine with God's light. Let us go with lives kindled with the call to serve. Go forth this day and enter into fulness of life. Let us go to embrace the life we have received. Go forth this day to love and serve the LORD. Amen.~

Postlude

Great Is Thy Faithfulness, Martha Main, YouTube

Worship Notes: ~Abingdon Worship Annual