

**“Whoever you are...wherever you are on life’s journey,  
you are welcome here.”  
God is Still Speaking**

THE REFORMED CHURCH OF THE

*Ascension*

UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST



*An Open and Affirming Congregation*

**September 27, 2020**

**11:00 AM**



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## **Order of Worship**

### **PRELUDE**

“Romance”

(Beethoven)

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS CHIMING OF THE HOUR RECEIVING THE LIGHT**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader:      At the name of Jesus every knee should bend and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

**People:      Glory to God.**

Leader:      Let us worship in God!

*adapted from Phil 2:10-11*

### **GATHERING HYMN**

“All Hail The Power of Jesus Name”      *Glory to God 263*

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Righteous God, we confess that we have not lived as your obedient children. We have honored you with our words, but we have denied you with our actions. We have not pursued the mind of Christ, who took the form of a servant, for we have acted with selfish ambition. We have put our interests before the interests of others and have not regarded them in humility. Forgive us our arrogance, awaken our hearts to sincere repentance, and enable us to will and to work for your good pleasure, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

*silent prayer of confession*

“You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy” *Glory to God 437*

Musical score for the hymn "You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy" (Glory to God 437). The score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 6/8 time signature. It consists of three staves of music. The lyrics are: "You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy! You are the Christ, giv-er of mer-cy! You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!". Chord symbols are placed above the notes: Em, D, Em, Am, Em, D, Em for the first line; Am, D, C, D, Em, C, Em for the second line; Em, D, G, Am, Em, D, E for the third line.

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

**SONG OF PRAISE**

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah” *Glory to God 591*

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**THE SCRIPTURE READINGS**

First Reading Ezekiel 18:1-4,25-32

**HYMN**

“Fairest Lord Jesus” *Glory to God 630*

Second Reading Philippians 2:1-13

Gospel Lesson Matthew 21:23-32

Leader: Holy Wisdom

**People: Holy Word**

**THE SERMON**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**  
**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.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom,  
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

**THE OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & OURSELVES**

We want to take this opportunity to thank all those who have mailed in their offerings to the church. The ministry of Ascension Church continues, we need your support. Although we cannot gather in the building right now, we still have our expenses to pay and our outreach continues.

So, please continue to **mail** in your offerings, or you may also opt to contribute **online** through our new **PayPal** account that you can access on our website at [ascensionucc.org](http://ascensionucc.org) and go to the Donate page. Please let us know if you encounter any issues accessing PayPal and know that we are grateful for your generosity.

**CLOSING HYMN**

“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love” *Glory to God 203*

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD**

**POSTLUDE**

“Ash Grove”

***Household Prayer: Morning***

Almighty God, give me the mind of Christ: drive away any selfish ambition, fill me with compassion and love, and make me a humble servant, that all I do and all I desire may be pleasing to you; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

***Household Prayer: Evening***

Lord, in my accomplishments this day, make me humble; for my failures, give me consolation. In your steadfast love, uphold me, and for my sins, forgive me, that I may know your mercy and walk in the way of your salvation. Amen.



Show me your ways, Lord,  
teach me your paths.

**Psalm 25:4**





*We welcome you to our Community of Faith. We pray that God will speak to you during this worship experience. If you have need of pastoral assistance, we encourage you to contact Pastor Dwayne at the church office number listed below or make an appointment with him today.*

*We welcome children in worship at all times. If you would prefer, childcare is available. Please see one of our ushers. Children's bulletins and crayons are available from the ushers.*

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| <b>Ministers</b>                        | All the people of the Congregation   |
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