



Sunday June 12, 2022
St. James (9:00am); St. Mark's (10:30am)
Organist: Ann Rodewald

Prelude music: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty

Bells ring

Prelude Gathering for worship

Call to Worship: (responsively)

L: Christians, I invite you to join me as we come before God with hearts lifted up
And with voices filled with great awe:

P: Holy, holy, holy God: We worship and adore you – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

L: With the psalmist, we announce: O Lord, our Sovereign,

P: How majestic is your name in all the earth.

L: With the prophet Isaiah, we proclaim:

P: Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.

L: With the Apostle Paul, we utter what we know to be true:

P: There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the one, holy universal Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sin, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Hymn of Praise: (#272 *The Hymnal*)

Love Divine All Loves Excelling

Young at Heart: The Moon and the Stars



Prayer of Confession:

I invite you to join your voice with mine as we come before God in prayer...

Triune God, we praise you as the God of love and mercy. Though Jesus prayed that we might all be one, we confess that we fail to live in unity with each other and with you. We break our communion with hostile words. We distance our thoughts from you when we set ourselves above others. And with our prejudice we disrupt the work of your Holy Spirit. We repent of our sin. Come, O Christ, with your power to heal. We long be children of your Word as we seek to do your will. We offer this prayer in Jesus' name. *Amen.*

Words of Assurance:

You did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When you cry "Abba! Father!" it is God's very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ. In Christ by the power of the Spirit, we are forgiven. Thanks be to the Triune God. *Amen.*

***GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

Hymn of Assurance: (#236 *Hymnal*)

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

PSALM 8

Psalm 8 is a powerful prayer offered to God by people of faith. As we read responsively, notice two things. Notice first that the opening and closing verses are identical; they praise God. In verses two through six, notice that five individual petitions are lifted before God. With the psalmist's guidance, let us pray.....

O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.

Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;
**what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?**

Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.
**You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet,**

all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field
**the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Old Testament Reading:

Proverbs 8:1-4, 12-21

Gospel Reading:

John 16:12-15

Message:

God-Ordained Wisdom

Rev. Kim Henning

Offering:

Offering, tithes and gifts can be made before or after worship in the offering baskets/plates at the welcome area of the church. St. James is also set up to take on-line offerings through the website (stmstjucc.org).

Offertory Music:

Where the Spirit of the Lord Is

~ The offering is brought to the altar ~

Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God above ye heavenly hosts

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving: (all together)

Eternal and ever-blessed God, Lord of heaven and earth: we praise you for your glorious majesty. In the world around, we observe powerful signs of your presence: seeds becoming plants; buds becoming flowers; and birds singing their praises to you. In the church, we observe the power of your Holy Spirit as we witness to the peace and joy of your Holy Spirit. Blessed are you O God through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Pastoral Prayer and 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.*

Hymn of Sending: (#198 Hymnal)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts

Commission and Benediction:

Postlude

Come Thou Almighty King