

# Service for the Lord's Day

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## Pre-Service Music

Andrew Hackett, Organist

Adagio, K. 580

W. A. Mozart

## Concerns of the Congregation

### Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-4

Tracy Kramer

*One: Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.*

**All: Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.**

*One: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.*

**All: For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise.**

## Prelude

Fugue in E-flat major, BWV 552, "St. Anne" (excerpt)

J.S. Bach

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## Ringing of the Revere Tower Bell

Let the ringing of the bell call our attention away from ourselves and onto the living Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

### \*Hymn #48

Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past

### \*Invocation

### \*Prayer of Confession

**All:** Lord, your people have a long history of forgetting you. They forgot you in the wilderness. They forgot you when they had their kings. They forgot you in exile. Lord, we are no different. Through the waters of baptism, we are your people, and we still forget. We make plans without considering you. We go weeks without worshipping you. We imagine we can do life without you in the center of it. We are sorry, Lord. Please forgive us. Thank you for making us your people and thank you for never forgetting us. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

### \*Moments of Silent Confession

### \*Assurance of Pardon

Micah 7:18-19

*One: Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives our transgression? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea. Sisters and brothers in Christ, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and our sins forgotten! This is the Good News.*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gloria Patri** #575

Glory Be to the Father

**\*Anthem**

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

J. S. Bach

Covenant Choir

Jesu, joy of man's desiring, holy wisdom, love most bright,  
Drawn by thee, our souls aspiring, soar to uncreated light.  
Word of God our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned.  
Striving still to truth unknown, soaring, dying, 'round thy throne.

Through the way where hope is guiding, hark, what peaceful music rings,  
Where the flock in thee confiding, drink of joy from deathless springs.  
Theirs is beauty's fairest pleasure, theirs is wisdom's holiest treasure.  
Thou dost ever lead thine own, in the love of joys unknown.

### Prayers of the People

#### The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

**Offertory**

CFPC Women's Ensemble

Lift Thine Eyes

Felix Mendelssohn

from the oratorio *Elijah*

Lift thine eyes, O lift thine eyes to the mountains, whence cometh help.  
Thy help cometh from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.  
He hath said, thy foot shall not be moved. Thy keeper will never slumber.  
Lift thine eyes, O lift thine eyes to the mountains, whence cometh help.

**\*Doxology** #572

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Hymn** #187

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

**Scripture Lesson**                           **Isaiah 43:18-19**                           **Rev. Dr. Robert Anderson**  
Pew Bible pg. 515      Large Print Bible pg. 1127  
*One: This is God's Word for God's People.*  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon The Alpha and Omega Rev. Dr. Robert Anderson

**\*Hymn #205**                  Renew Thy Church, Her Ministries Restore  
Verse 1 — Choir  
Verses 2-4 — Congregation

## **\*Benediction**

# **Postlude**      Improvisation on *All is Well*

Andrew Hackett, Organist

\*Those who are able, please stand

The flowers on the communion table were given to  
the glory of God by Scott Smith.

Planning Ahead — January 23, 2022

Looking ahead to next Sunday we will be looking at our vision for the future. We all look ahead and trust God for a vision for our life. We will look at several Scripture texts (bring your Bibles!) to hear God speak about how to face the future with strength and faith. Given the "upside down world" in which we live, these words from God will build our courage and faith.



## O God, Our Help in Ages Past 48

*Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Psa. 90:1*

Psalm 90  
Isaac Watts, 1719

ST. ANNE C.M.  
William Croft, 1708

1. O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,  
2. Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne Still may we dwell se - cure;  
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, Or earth re - ceived her frame,  
4. A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone;  
5. O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,

Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home!  
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.  
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.  
Short as the watch that ends the night, Be - fore the ris - ing sun.  
Be Thou our guide while life shall last, And our e - ter - nal home! A-men.

## Breathe on Me, Breath of God 187

*He breathed on them, and saith, Receive ye the Holy Ghost. John 20:22*

Edwin Hatch, 1878

TRENTHAM S.M.  
Robert Jackson, 1888

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life a - new, That I may  
2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Un - til my heart is pure, Un - til my  
3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am whol - ly Thine, Un - til this  
4. Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I nev - er die, But live with

love what Thou dost love, And do what Thou wouldst do.  
will is one with Thine, To do and to en - dure.  
earth - ly part of me Glows with Thy fire di - vine.  
Thee the per - fect life Of Thine e - ter - ni - ty. A-men.

## Renew Thy Church, Her Ministries 205

*O Lord, revive Thy work in the midst of the years. Hab. 3:2*

Kenneth L. Cober, 1960

ALL IS WELL 10 6 10 6 8 8 8 6

Traditional English melody  
*The Sacred Harp*, 1844



1. Re - new Thy church, her min - is - tries re - store: Both to serve and a - dore.
2. Teach us Thy Word, re - veal its truth di - vine, On our path let it shine;
3. Teach us to pray, for Thou art ev - er near, Thy still voice let us hear.
4. Teach us to love, with strength of heart and mind, Ev - ery one, all man-kind,



Make her a - gain as salt through-out the land, And as light from a stand.  
Tell of Thy works, Thy might - y acts of grace, From each page show Thy face.  
Our souls are rest - less till they rest in Thee, This our glad des - ti - ny.  
Break down old walls of prej - u - dice and hate, Leave us not to our fate.



Mid som-ber shad - ows of the night, Where greed and ha - treds spread their blight,  
As Thou hast loved us, sent Thy Son, And our sal - va - tion now is won,  
Be - fore Thy pres - ence keep us still That we may find for us Thy will,  
As Thou hast loved and giv'n Thy life To end hos - til - i - ty and strife,



O send us forth with pow'r en - due'd, Help us, Lord, be re - newed.  
O let our hearts with love be stirred, Help us, Lord, know thy Word.  
And seek Thy guid - ance ev - ery day, Teach us, Lord, how to pray.  
O share Thy grace from heav'n a - bove, Teach us, Lord, how to love. A - men.



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