

3. Neither life nor death shall ever from the Lord his children sever; unto them his grace he showeth, and their sorrows all he knoweth.

4. Though he giveth or he taketh, God his children ne'er forsaketh; his the loving purpose solely to preserve them pure and holy.

**SCRIPTURE READING**  
MARK 10: 13-16, & 35-45

**SERMON**  
"THE INNOCENCE, THE FOOLISHNESS, AND  
THE WISDOM OF CHILDREN"

**ANTHEM**  
*YOU ARE MINE*  
DAVID HAAS/MARK HAYES

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION**  
*OUR GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST*

#117, v. 1, 2, 5, & 6  
WORDS BY ISAAC WATTS  
MUSIC ATTR. TO WILLIAM CROFT  
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1. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!
2. Under the shadow of thy throne, still may we dwell secure; sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.
5. Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all who breathe away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.
6. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come; be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

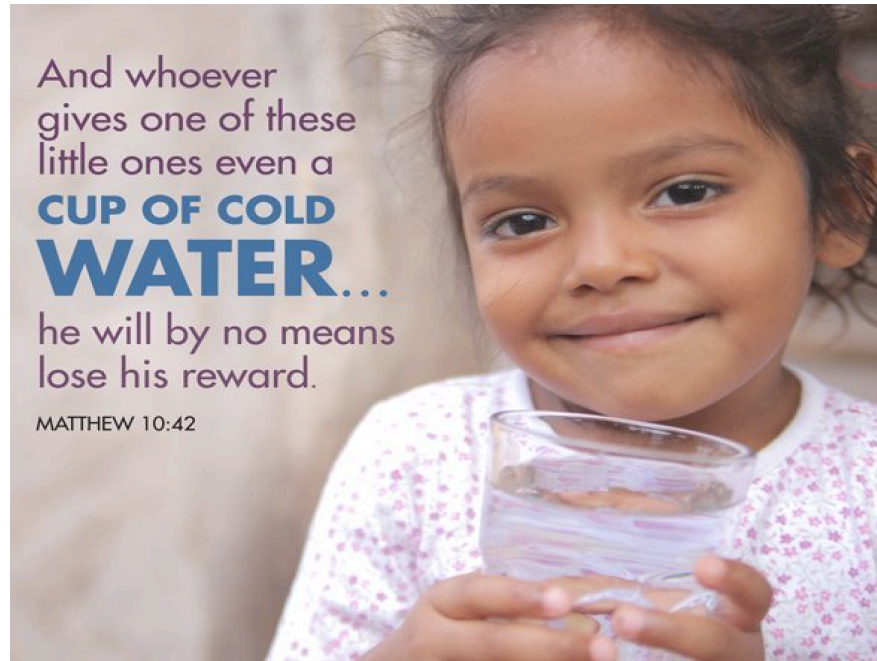
**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*SENDING FORTH**  
*REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING*  
#715, v. 1

WORDS BY CHARLES WESLEY  
MUSIC BY JOHN DARWALL  
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1. Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore; mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

**POSTLUDE**  
*PRAISE THE LORD! YE HEAVENS ADORE HIM*  
LANI SMITH & ROWLAND PRITCHARD



And whoever  
gives one of these  
little ones even a  
**CUP OF COLD  
WATER...**

he will by no means  
lose his reward.

MATTHEW 10:42

**"The Innocence, the  
Foolishness, and the  
Wisdom of Children"**

**Mark 10: 13-16, & 35-45**

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE**  
*COME INTO HIS PRESENCE*  
LYNN BAIRD

**WELCOME HOME!**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP**  
*I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT*  
KATHLEEN THOMERSON

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Children of God: Welcome!

**Congregation: Welcome to this place of love and grace,**  
Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.  
**God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,**  
God invites all of us to share in the good news:  
**We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.**  
In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**  
*JESUS LOVES ME*

#191  
WORDS BY ANNA B. WARNER & DAVID RUTHERFORD MCGUIRE  
MUSIC BY WILLIAM B. BRADBURY  
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1. Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

2. Jesus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long ago, taking children on his knee, saying, "Let them come to me." [Refrain]

3. Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way, wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live. [Refrain]

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Leader: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

**Congregation: Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the**

**firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.**

**SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS**

**CALL TO PRAYER**  
*PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND*  
#474, v. 1 & 3  
WORDS & MUSIC BY THOMAS A. DORSEY  
19TH CENTURY AMERICAN MELODY  
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1. Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light:

Refrain: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

3. When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone, at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand: [Refrain]

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**OFFERING PRAYER & RETURN OF GOD'S TITHES & GIFTS**

**\*DOXOLOGY**  
*PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW*  
#94  
WORDS BY THOMAS KEN  
MUSIC FROM GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESANGE  
ARR. BY RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS  
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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

**HYMN OF FAITH**  
*CHILDREN OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER*  
#141  
WORDS BY CAROLINE V. SANDELL-BERG  
MUSIC FROM A SWEDISH MELODY  
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1. Children of the heavenly Father safely in his bosom gather; nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.

2. God his own doth tend and nourish; in his holy courts they flourish; from all evil things he spares them; in his mighty arms he bears them.