

ANTHEM  
THE BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC  
AMERICAN CAMP MEETING TUNE / ARRANGED BY DOUGLAS E. WAGNER

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & PARDON

Merciful God, We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

COMMUNION LITURGY & RECEIVING OF THE ELEMENTS

\*HYMN OF INVITATION  
*MY COUNTRY, 'TIS OF THEE*

#697, v. 1 & 2

WORDS BY SAMUEL F. SMITH

MUSIC BY *THE SAURUS MUSICUS*

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1. My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing; land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride, from every mountainside let freedom ring!
2. My native country, thee, land of the noble free, thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills; my heart with rapture thrills, like that above.

\*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING FORTH  
*AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL*

#696, v. 1 & 3

WORDS BY KATHARINE LEE BATES

MUSIC BY SAMUEL A. WARD

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1. O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain; for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.
3. O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears! America! America! God mend thine every flaw, confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

POSTLUDE

*THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND*  
WOODY GUTHRIE

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**“With Freedom Comes  
Gratitude, Love, and  
Responsibility”**  
Galatians 5:13-14; 24-25

July 2, 2023  
Fifth Sunday After Pentecost  
Worship Service with Communion  
Fellowship Hall & Online  
10:00 AM



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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

NURSERY IS PROVIDED (BIRTH - 4 YEARS OLD) IN THE EDUCATION BUILDING

## PRELUDE

*GOD BLESS AMERICA*

IRVING BERLIN

## WELCOME HOME! ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

*THE STATUE OF LIBERTY*

NEIL ENLOE

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Almighty God, you rule all the peoples of the earth. Inspire the minds of all women and men to whom you have committed the responsibility of government and leadership in the nations of the world.

**Congregation: Give to them the vision of truth and justice, that by their counsel all nations and peoples may work together.**

Give to the people of our country zeal for justice and strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will.

**Forgive our shortcomings as a nation; purify our hearts to see and love the truth. We pray all these things through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE

*BRINGING IN THE SHEAVES*

#165

WORDS BY KNOWLES SHAW

MUSIC BY GEORGE A. MINOR

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1. Sowing in the morning, sowing seeds of kindness, Sowing in the noontide and the dewy eve; Waiting for the harvest, and the time of reaping, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

Refrain: Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves (Repeat)

2. Sowing in the sunshine, sowing in the shadows, Fearing neither clouds nor winter's chilling breeze; By and by the harvest, and the labor ended, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves. [Refrain]

3. Going forth with weeping, sowing for the Master, Tho' the loss sustained our spirit often grieves; When our weeping's over, He will bid us welcome, We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves. [Refrain]

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**Congregation: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

# SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

## CALL TO PRAYER

*THE OLD RUGGED CROSS*

#504, v. 1 & 2

WORDS BY GEORGE BENNARD

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1. On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain: So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

2. O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me; for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above to bear it to dark Calvary.

[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!

## HYMN OF FAITH

*HIGHER GROUND*

#127

WORDS BY JOHNSON OATMAN, JR.

MUSIC FROM CHAS H. GABRIEL

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1. I'm pressing on the upward way, New heights I'm gaining ev'ry day; Still praying as I onward bound, "Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."

Refrain: Lord, lift me up and let me stand, By faith, on Heaven's tableland, A higher plane than I have found; Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.

2. My heart has no desire to stay Where doubts arise and fears dismay; Tho' some may dwell where these abound, My prayer, my aim, is higher ground.

[Refrain]

3. I want to live above the world, Tho' Satan's darts at me are hurled; For faith has caught the joyful sound, The song of saints on higher ground. [Refrain]

4. I want to scale the utmost height, And catch a gleam of glory brights; But still I'll pray till Heav'n I've found, "Lord, lead me on to higher ground." [Refrain]

## SCRIPTURE READING

GALATIANS 5:13-14; 24-25

## SERMON

"WITH FREEDOM COMES GRATITUDE, LOVE, AND  
RESPONSIBILITY"

REV. LARAINÉ WAUGHTAL