

ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 10, 2021 – 11 a.m.

Chiming of the Hour

Voluntary

A Word of Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus shows us the way to the waters of life, clear as crystal, coming from God's throne.

People: **Here we find life as it is meant to be. Here we find our hope and our salvation.**

Leader: With His baptism, Jesus offers us a new way to live. A life full of hope, peace, joy, and love.

People: **The water Jesus offers will satisfy us forever.**

Leader: Through baptism, we stand with Christ and we are marked as His people.

People: **Let us praise the Lord!**

Hymn 610

We Know That Christ is Raised

Affirmation of Faith 883

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God: Who has created and is creating,

Who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,

Who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence,

to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offering & Offertory

Scripture Reading: Matthew 13:24-30 (NRSV)

Sermon

Invitation to the Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Renunciation of Sin & Profession of Faith

And so I ask you, will you turn away from the powers of sin and death?

We renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of our sin!

Will you let the Spirit use you as prophets to the powers that be?

We accept the freedom and power God gives us to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves!

Will you proclaim the good news and live as disciples of Jesus Christ, his body on earth?

We confess Jesus Christ as our Savior, put our whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as our Lord, in union with the church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races!

Will you be living witnesses to the gospel, individually and together, wherever you are, and in all that you do?

We will remain faithful members of Christ's holy church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world.

Will you receive and profess the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

We affirm and teach the faith of the whole church as we put our trust in God, the Father Almighty, in Jesus Christ, his only Son, and in the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Closing Hymn 605

Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

Benediction

Choral Benediction

I'm Trying to Be Like Jesus

SERMON REFLECTION

1. What are my biggest take-aways from the sermon?

2. What is God teaching me?

3. What from the sermon can I apply to my life this week?

4. When did I feel most uplifted?

5. When did I feel most unsettled?
