

Hymn and Order of Worship – June 7, 2020

Organ Prelude: “God of Glory” Don Shelley, organist

Welcome: Pastor Jeff Blevins

Apostles’ Creed in unison:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, His only-begotten Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried.
He descended in hell;
The third day He arose 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 Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
And life everlasting. Amen!

Lord’s Prayer in unison

Hymn: “My Soul Be On Thy Guard” [George Heath and Lowell Mason. CCLI #11537217]

1. My Soul, be on thy guard – ten thousand foes arise;
The hosts of sin are pressing hard to draw thee from the skies.

2. O watch and fight and pray, the battle ne’er give o’er;
Renew it boldly every day and help divine implore.

3. Ne’er think the vict’ry won, nor lay thine armor down;
The work of faith will not be done till thou obtain thy crown.

4. Fight on, my soul, till death shall bring thee to thy God;
He’ll take thee, at thy parting breath, to His divine abode.

Responsive Reading: James 1.1-18

**1 This letter is from James, a slave of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ.
I am writing to the “twelve tribes”—Jewish believers scattered abroad.
Greetings!**

² Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. ³ For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. ⁴ So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing.

⁵ If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking. ⁶ But when you ask him, be sure that your faith is in God alone. Do not waver, for a person with divided loyalty is as unsettled as a wave of the sea that is blown and tossed by the wind. ⁷ Such people should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. ⁸ Their loyalty is divided between God and the world, and they are unstable in everything they do.

⁹ Believers who are poor have something to boast about, for God has honored them. ¹⁰ And those who are rich should boast that God has humbled them. They will fade away like a little flower in the field. ¹¹ The hot sun rises and the grass withers; the little flower droops and falls, and its beauty fades away. In the same way, the rich will fade away with all of their achievements.

¹² God blesses those who patiently endure testing and temptation. Afterward they will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him.

¹³ And remember, when you are being tempted, do not say, "God is tempting me." God is never tempted to do wrong,¹ and he never tempts anyone else. ¹⁴ Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away. ¹⁵ These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death.

¹⁶ So don't be misled, my dear brothers and sisters. ¹⁷ Whatever is good and perfect is a gift coming down to us from God our Father, who created all the lights in the heavens. He never changes or casts a shifting shadow. ¹⁸ He chose to give birth to us by giving us his true word. And we, out of all creation, became his prized possession.

Response: "Gloria Patri"

Glory be 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!

Message “The problem in our hearts” – Pastor Jeff Blevins

Hymn: “Give Me thy heart” [E Hewitt, W Kirkpatrick. CCLI Lic #11537217]

1. “Give Me thy heart,” says the Father above –
No gift so precious to Him as our love;
Softly He whispers wherever thou art,
“Gratefully trust Me and give Me thy heart.”
Chorus: “Give Me thy heart, give Me thy heart” –
Hear the soft whisper, wherever thou art;
From this dark world He would draw thee apart,
Speaking so tenderly, “Give Me thy heart.”

2. “Give Me thy heart,” says the Savior of men,
Calling in mercy again and again;
“Turn now from sin and from evil depart –
Have I not died for thee? Give Me thy heart.” Chorus.

3. “Give Me thy heart,” says the Spirit divine,
“All that thou hast to My keeping resign;
Grace more abounding is Mine to impart –
Make full surrender and give Me thy heart.” Chorus.

Special prayer needs –led by Pastor Blevins

Closing thoughts and prayer – Pastor Blevins

Benediction (singing together)