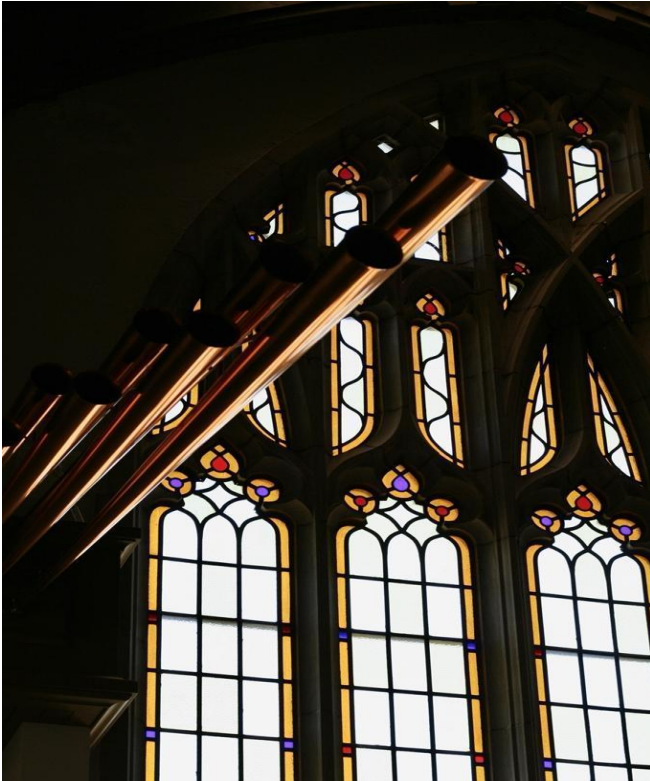


September 17, 2023

7pm

## Night Church

"Yours is the day, yours also the night."  
Psalm 74:16



Loving God. Loving People.  
Growing in Christ Together.

*Leading:* The Rev. Brian Suggs

Welcome

The Greeting:

*Leader:* We come from scattered lives to meet with God.  
Let us recognize his presence with us.

*A candle is lit.*

*All:* As God's people we have gathered:  
**let us worship him together.**

Opening Prayer:

*Leader:* Loving God, we have come to worship you.  
Help us to pray to you in faith,  
to sing your praise with gratitude,  
and to listen to your word with eagerness;  
through Christ our Lord

*All:* **Amen.**

Song of Praise:

**Waiting Here for You**

*Chris Tomlin, Martin Smith*

**Verse 1:**

If faith can move the mountains  
Let the mountains move  
We come with expectation  
We're waiting here for you, waiting here for you

**Verse 2:**

You're the Lord of all creation  
And still you know my heart  
The Author of Salvation  
You've loved me from the start

**Chorus:**

Waiting here for You  
With our hands lifted high in praise  
And it's You we adore  
Singing Alleluia

**Verse 3:**

You are everything You've promised  
Your faithfulness is true  
And we're desperate for Your presence  
All we need is You

**Chorus x2**

**Ending:**

Waiting here for you  
And it's You we adore  
Singing Alleluia

Bible Reading:  
**Psalm 114**

When the Israelites escaped from Egypt—  
when the family of Jacob left that foreign land—  
**the land of Judah became God's sanctuary,  
and Israel became his kingdom.**

The Red Sea saw them coming and hurried out of their way!  
The water of the Jordan River turned away.  
**The mountains skipped like rams,  
the hills like lambs!**

What's wrong, Red Sea, that made you hurry out of their way?  
What happened, Jordan River, that you turned away?  
**Why, mountains, did you skip like rams?  
Why, hills, like lambs?**

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord,  
at the presence of the God of Jacob.  
**He turned the rock into a pool of water;  
yes, a spring of water flowed from solid rock.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.**  
**Amen.**

Bible Reading:  
**Exodus 14:19-31**

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Then the angel of God, who had been leading the people of Israel, moved to the rear of the camp. The pillar of cloud also moved from the front and stood behind them. The cloud settled between the Egyptian and Israelite camps. As darkness fell, the cloud turned to fire, lighting up the night. But the Egyptians and Israelites did not approach each other all night. Then Moses raised his hand over the sea, and the Lord opened up a path through the water with a strong east wind. The wind blew all that night, turning the seabed into dry land. So the people of Israel walked through the middle of the sea on dry ground, with walls of water on each side! Then the Egyptians—all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and charioteers—chased them into the middle of the sea. But just before dawn the Lord looked down on the Egyptian army from the pillar of fire and cloud, and he threw their forces into total confusion. He twisted their chariot wheels, making their chariots difficult to drive. "Let's get out of here—away from these Israelites!" the Egyptians shouted. "The Lord is fighting for them against Egypt!" When all the Israelites had reached the other side, the Lord said to Moses, "Raise your hand over the sea again. Then the waters will rush back and cover the Egyptians and their chariots and charioteers." So as the sun began to rise, Moses raised his hand over the sea,

and the water rushed back into its usual place. The Egyptians tried to escape, but the Lord swept them into the sea. Then the waters returned and covered all the chariots and charioteers—the entire army of Pharaoh. Of all the Egyptians who had chased the Israelites into the sea, not a single one survived. But the people of Israel had walked through the middle of the sea on dry ground, as the water stood up like a wall on both sides. That is how the Lord rescued Israel from the hand of the Egyptians that day. And the Israelites saw the bodies of the Egyptians washed up on the seashore. When the people of Israel saw the mighty power that the Lord had unleashed against the Egyptians, they were filled with awe before him. They put their faith in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

The Talk:  
*The Rev. Brian Suggs*

Response to God's Word:  
*After hearing the scriptures read and hearing more about them during 'the talk', we respond with our beliefs about who God is.*

*Leader:* Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

*All:* **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

*Leader:* Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

*All:* **I believe 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, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the  
dead.**

*Leader:* Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

*All:* **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.**

Song of Praise:  
**Lord I Need You**  
*Matt Maher*

**Verse 1:**

Lord I come, I confess  
Bowing here, I find my rest  
Without You, I fall apart  
You're the one that guides my heart

**Chorus:**

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You  
Every hour, I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness  
Oh God, how I need You

**Verse 2:**

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more  
Where grace is found is where You are  
And where You are, Lord, I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me  
Where You are, Lord I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me

## Chorus

### Bridge:

So teach my song to rise to You  
When temptation comes my way  
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You  
Jesus, You're my hope and stay

## Chorus

### Ending:

You're my one defense, my righteousness  
Oh God, how I need You

### Prayer:

*This is a time to bring those people and things that are on our hearts and minds to God. Intercessions (prayers said for others) are offered and we end by saying the prayer that Jesus taught us, The Lord's Prayer.*

With faith we pray to you our God.

That the rest of this day may be holy,  
peaceful and full of your presence;  
with faith we pray, **we pray to you our God.**

That the work we have done and the people we have met  
today may bring us closer to you;  
with faith we pray, **we pray to you our God.**

That we may hear and respond to your call  
to peace and justice;  
with faith we pray, **we pray to you our God.**

That you will sustain the faith and hope of those  
who are lonely, oppressed and anxious;  
with faith we pray, **we pray to you our God.**

That you will strengthen us in your service,  
and fill our hearts with longing for your kingdom;  
with faith we pray, **we pray to you our God.**

God of mercy, you know us and love us and hear our prayer:  
keep us in the eternal fellowship of Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
**Amen.**

*Leader:* We praise the Father, and pray in the words of  
Christ himself.

*All:* **Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

Prayer of Confession:  
*During confession we all say sorry to God and ask for forgiveness for the  
wrong things (called sin) we've done and for the things we've thought in  
our minds that aren't pleasing to God. We also say sorry and ask  
forgiveness for the things we haven't done but should have done. We  
don't always mean to do wrong (sin), but we do. We all need God's  
forgiveness, so we ask for it. God has promised to always forgive us and  
never to remember our sin again.*



*Leader:* Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed. Let us confess our sins.

*1 Peter 2:24*

*All:* **Lord God,  
we have sinned against you;  
we have done evil in your sight.  
We are sorry and repent.  
Have mercy on us according to your love.  
Wash away our wrongdoing  
and cleanse us from our sin.  
Renew a right spirit within us  
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

*Absolution:*

*The priest now confirms God's forgiveness of us all.*

*Leader:* May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*The Peace:*

*Just as we've made peace with God through confession, this is an opportunity to make peace with one another. You're invited to greet one another.*

*Leader:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

Song of Praise:  
**Now to God**  
*Stockholm Worship*

**Verse 1:**

There is one who is greater,  
Nothing else compares  
He holds all power  
He holds it all  
In the earth and the heavens  
Does anyone compare?  
Our God He reigns  
Oh, He reigns

**Chorus:**

Now to God who is able to do  
Immeasurably more  
Than we could ever imagine  
Through His power at work in our lives  
To God be the praise  
Forever amen

**Verse 2:**

For my friends and my family  
Lord, I will believe  
Increase Your favor  
Upon our lives  
For the ones who are searching  
Lord, I will believe  
Reveal Your power  
Lord, show Your grace

**Chorus**

**Bridge:**

All the glory in the church  
All the glory on the earth  
Belongs to You

Belongs to You  
All the praises I can find  
Every second of my life  
Belongs to You  
Belongs to You

**Chorus**

**Ending:**  
To God be the praise  
Forever amen

Closing Prayer:

*All:*       **God, you are everything to us,  
giving us life,  
filling us with love,  
and setting us free from sin  
that we might live in you.  
Accept the work of our hands this day,  
take our lives,  
give us your peace  
and renew us in the service of Jesus Christ our  
Lord. Amen.**

Blessing:

*Leader:*   May God give to you and to all those you love  
his comfort and his peace, his light and his joy,  
in this world and the next; and the blessing of  
God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you  
and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Looking ahead:

*September 17 - Youth Group Tonight*

*September 26 - Tuesdays at ASK resumes, meal at 6pm  
and book study at 7pm*

*September 29 - October 1 - Muskoka Youth Retreat*



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