Traditional 11:00 Service February 21, 2021

Announcements

Prelude Susan Smith

Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven.

People: We don't know what we will hear. The call of an archangel or the blast of a trumpet? L: But this much we know: We want to be ready when God comes.

P: Make us ready, Lord. Show us your Glory!

Opening Prayer Pastor Tricia

Opening Hymn- "Shall We Gather at the River" (Prerecorded)
Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever flowy by the throne of God.

Refrain

Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray; we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. *Refrain*

Affirmation of Faith #881

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.

Special "Carry Me Through" The Jones Family

Scripture 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. According to the Lord's word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Sermon Our Future By Faith Pastor Tricia

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Closing Hymn - "Sing With All the Saints of Glory" (Prerecorded)
Sing with all the saints in glory, sing the resurrection song!
Death and sorry, earth's dark story, to the former days belong.
All around the clouds are breaking, soon the storms of time shall cease;
in God's likeness we, awaking, know the everlasting peace.

O what glory, far exceeding all that eye has yet perceived! Holiest hearts, for ages pleading, never that full joy conceived. God has promised, Christ prepares it, there on high our welcome waits. Every humble spirit shares it; Christ has passed th'eternal gates.

Life eternal! Heaven rejoices; Jesus lives, who once was dead. Join we now the deathless voices; child of God, lift up your head! Patriarchs from the distant ages, saints all longing for their heaven, prophets, psalmists, seers, and sage, all await the glory given.

Postlude

Susan Smith & Frances Ferguson

Please exit as directed by the HCT and place your offering in the offering boxes by the Door

We look forward to seeing you next week!

Make sure you register on line or call the church office to attend.