

*Virtual Worship Service*  
*Crossnore Presbyterian Church*  
*Sunday, November 15, 2020*

**Choral Call to Worship: *As the Deer Panteth for the Water***  
Text and Music: Martin J. Nystrom

Sing along with Maranatha: <https://youtu.be/NFkQ2DFF24Y>

As the deer panteth for the water  
So my soul longeth after Thee  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship Thee

You alone are my strength, my shield  
To You alone may my spirit yield  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship Thee

You're my friend  
And You are my brother  
Even though You are a King  
I love You more than any other  
So much more than anything

I want You more than gold or silver  
Only You can satisfy  
You alone are the real joy giver  
And the apple of my eye

**Call to Worship:**

Friends, let us worship God today, for God is great;  
**God has blessed us with life, with faith, and with community.**  
Let us worship God today, for God is good;  
**God forgives us, and encourages us, and loves us.**  
Let us worship God today;  
**because we are God's people.**  
Let us worship God.

**Hymn of Praise # 625 *O, Lord My God***

Text and Music: Stuart K. Hine, 1953

Sing along with Carrie Underwood and Vince Gill: <https://youtu.be/xyLWjawgzlw>

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed:**

**Refrain:**

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art  
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**When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. (Refrain)**

**And when I think that God, his son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to takeaway my sin. (Refrain)**



"Deer Drinking Water" by Annika Zalmover

**When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" (Refrain)**

**Call to Confession:**

The God to whom we make our confession is the God who loved us so much that God took on mortality, choosing to limit the divine, in order to be with us, to be one of us. Trusting in that love, let us make our confession before God and each other.

**Unison Prayer of Confession:**

**Holy God, Lord of love:**

**For not singing when we are joyful;**

**For not shouting to the world the good that you do;**

**For not trusting the love that surrounds us;**

**For not enacting the justice you call us to;**

**For not believing the Good News is meant for all:**

**Forgive us. Encourage us and change us, help us and inspire us,  
that with our lives, we will magnify you, and rejoice in God our Savior. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon:**

Friends, this Good News is for all the world: Christ was born, lived and died, and rose again that we would be freed from sin and death. Know that indeed we are forgiven and called to be peacemakers.

**Alleluia! Amen.**

**Special Music: *Lean On Me***

**Performed by Playing for Change: <https://youtu.be/iytcrjrxvkM>**

**Scripture Reading: Psalm 145:1-13**

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever.

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall laud your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.

On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

The might of your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed, and I will declare your greatness.

They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness, and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.



**"God's Glory" by Edvard Munch**

The LORD is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your faithful shall bless you.

They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power,

to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

**Sermon: "Good News"**

**Rev. Kathy Campbell**

**Affirmation of Faith: A Portion of the Brief Statement of Faith:**

In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ,  
fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:  
preaching good news to the poor  
and release to the captives,  
teaching by word and deed  
and blessing the children,  
eating with outcasts,  
forgiving sinners,  
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.  
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,  
Jesus crucified,  
suffering the depths of human pain  
and giving his life for the sins of the world.  
God raised this Jesus from the dead,  
vindicating his sinless life,  
breaking the power of sin and evil,  
delivering us from death to eternal life.  
With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God  
in Christ Jesus, our Lord.



Artist: He Qi

### **Hymn of Meditation # 700 *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me***

**Text and Music: African American Spiritual**

**Sing along with Bishop G.E. Patterson & Congregation: <https://youtu.be/rXRIMKqi8b0>**

I'm gonna live so (live so) God can use me anywhere, Lord anytime! (anytime!)  
I'm gonna live so (live so) God can use me anywhere, Lord anytime! (anytime!)

I'm gonna work so (work so) God can use me anywhere, Lord anytime! (anytime!)  
I'm gonna work so (work so) God can use me anywhere, Lord anytime! (anytime!)

I'm gonna pray so (pray so) God can use me anywhere, Lord anytime! (anytime!)  
I'm gonna pray so (pray so) God can use me anywhere, Lord anytime! (anytime!)

I'm gonna sing so (sing so) God can use me anywhere, Lord anytime! (anytime!)  
I'm gonna sing so (sing so) God can use me anywhere, Lord anytime! (anytime!)

### **Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings:**

But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.' (*Matthew 6:19-21*) Let us receive this morning's offering.

### **Unison Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving:**

**Beloved Lord, you offer us a precious gift. Your invitation to salvation through Christ frees us from so many unnecessary fears. As children of your Light, we present these gifts so that others may share in the timeless message of your love. Encourage us to reflect your love to others, today and always. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

**Closing Hymn # 546 Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing**

Text: John Fawcett, 1773; Music: Sicilian melody, 18<sup>th</sup> century

Sing along with Grosse Pointe Memorial Church (Michigan) Virtual Choir: <https://youtu.be/aGzMd1i92lo>

Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joyful peace;  
let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.  
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound:  
may the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound.  
Ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.

Savior, when your love shall call us, from our struggling pilgrim way,  
let no fear of death appall us, glad you summons to obey.  
May we ever, may we ever reign with you in endless day.

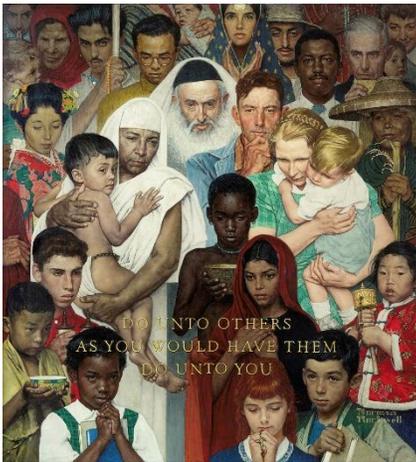
**Charge and Benediction:**

Remember that you are God's beloved. The Holy Spirit lives in you. Christ's compassion shines forth in what you do. Live as those who know and have experienced God's goodness. Go now in peace.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forever.  
Amen.

**Postlude: Do Something by Matthew West**

[https://youtu.be/b\\_RjndG0IX8](https://youtu.be/b_RjndG0IX8)



**"Golden Rule" by Norman Rockwell**