

*Virtual Worship Service for the Lord's Day
The Eighth Sunday of Pentecost, July 11, 2021
Crossnore Presbyterian Church
Crossnore, NC 28616*



Prelude: *Here I Am, Lord*

based on a tune by Daniel L. Schutte; arranged by Jack Schrader
<https://youtu.be/2yt6-FoElb4>

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements (PDF attached)

Choral Call to Worship # 1 *As the Deer* (Songs of Worship)
<https://youtu.be/tv0eu-xbU0> - Gracias Choir

AS THE DEER

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'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

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.

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Call to Worship:

For the beauty of the summer day,
And the comfort of friends nearby;
For the invitation to love and be loved,
For our God who extends that call;
For time set apart to nourish the soul,
For time to go out into the world armed with love:
For all these things we give thanks. Let us worship God.

Hymn of Praise # 35 *Praise to the Lord the Almighty*
https://youtu.be/gfNT_EVejtI - First Presbyterian Church, Charlotte

LOBE DEN HERRE

**Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
join me in glad adoration!**

**Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly for aye we adore him.**

Call to Confession:

Do we really want God to dwell within us, or are we only willing to 'rent out' space for a brief visit? Our actions, our words, our silence, our fears all show the presence, or absence, of God in our lives. Let us empty ourselves of all which burdens us, and welcome the One who lives with us forever. Please join me as we pray together.

Unison Prayer of Confession:

Steadfast God, we confess that we are so busy putting up walls between ourselves and others, we cannot see the home you are building for all of us. We spend so much time noting the differences between us and others, while you are embracing everyone as your child. We run to welcome those who look, talk, and act like us, and you throw open your doors to the stranger, the alien, in our midst.

Forgive us, Compassionate Christ. By your grace, help us to see the household you are building for all people: there are no plastic protectors on the furniture; there are no rooms that are off-limits; and even the smallest child is welcome to sit at the big peoples' Table and be fed by your grace (moment of silent confession). We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our peace, our hope, our Lord, our Savior. **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon:

Do you remember? At one time, you were without Christ; you were the stranger, the outsider, and the alien. But now, in Christ, you have been brought home, living in God's household of hope and peace. **God's covenant with us is everlasting; God's steadfast love is forever; God's forgiveness makes us new and whole. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Response to God's Grace and Mercy # 441 *Hear the Good News of Salvation*
<https://youtu.be/YuRSmUa0iz4>- Geneva Presbyterian Church, Laguna Hills, CA

NETTLETON

**Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.**

**(Chorus) Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ, you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.**

**All the sins I have committed to my savior now I bring.
I bow down with tears of anguish; Christ forgives and now I sing: (Chorus)**

First Lesson: Psalm 23 KJV

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Choir Anthem: *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

<https://youtu.be/YUvxPGxZt-s> Washington National Cathedral Choir

Second Lesson: Mark 6:30-46

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now very late; send them away so that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy something for themselves to eat.' But he answered them, 'You give them something to eat.' They said to him, 'Are we to go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread, and give it to them to eat?' And he said to them, 'How many loaves have you? Go and see.' When they had found out, they said, 'Five, and two fish.' Then he ordered them to get all the people to sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups of hundreds and of fifties. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and he divided the two fish among them all. And all ate and were filled; and they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. Those who had eaten the loaves numbered five thousand men. Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. After saying farewell to them, he went up on the mountain to pray.

Sermon: "What's In Your Basket?"

Rev. Kathy Campbell

Affirmation of Faith: Sections 1 & 2 of the Brief Statement of Faith (page 37, Glory to God Hymnal)

Hymn of Meditation # 649 *Amazing Grace*

AMAZING GRACE

<https://youtu.be/YUvxPGxZt-s> Pentatonix

**Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.**

**Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come.
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far and grace will lead me home.**

**The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun!**

Prayers of the People:

Merciful God we praise you for your unfailing love.

We praise you for feeding our hunger for bread and for “the bread of life.”

We praise you for taking our little basket of fish and barley loaves
and using it to feed others.

Lord we ask you for your care and healing touch for those who are sick.

We ask for your compassion on those who are suffering in our world.

We ask for you comfort for those who are grieving.

We thank you for your daily tender mercies.

We thank you for your daily love.

We thank you for your daily grace.

We call upon you Lord to empower us
as we declare who you are to a world who needs you.

We call upon you Lord to inspire us
as we seek to inspire others.

We call upon you Lord to strengthen us
in our own weakness.

We ask all this in the name of Christ, who taught his disciples to pray:

Our Father...Amen.

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings:

However small or large our basket, God will take our gifts and multiply them and send us out to feed those who are hungry in body and spirit. Let us receive this morning's offering.

Doxology # 606**OLD HUNDREDTH**

<https://youtu.be/RBz7vuJ2b1A> - Heidi Nadine

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creature here below;
praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Unison Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving:

God of love, you abide with us; you provide for all our needs and guide us in your ways. Out of gratitude for your care, we bring our gifts before you. Use them for your work of caring, that all may feast at the table of abundance, walk without fear, and drink deeply from the cup of compassion. Amen.

Closing Hymn # 547 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing***AR HYDY NOS**

<https://youtu.be/edq3iV4sw6o> - Koiné

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you; you are my own.

In my love's baptismal river, I have made you mine forever.

Go, my children, with my blessing -you are My own.

Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.

Here you heard my dear Son's story; here you touched him, saw his glory,

Go my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

**Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me;
grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you; Here his tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.**

**I the Lord will bless and keep you and give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you and give you peace:
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, my children, I will keep you and give you peace.**

***Charge and Benediction:**

May the beauty of God be reflected in your eyes,
the love of God be reflected in your hands,
the wisdom of God be reflected in your words,
and the knowledge of God flow from your heart,
that all might see, and seeing, believe. Amen.