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#### Strength for Today · Bright Hope for Tomorrow

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### Sunday, August 15, 2021 - 9:00 am

WELCOME

Song

Come, Thou Almighty King

Come, thou almighty King, Help us thy name to sing; help us to praise. Father all glorious, o'er all victorious, Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou incarnate Word, Merciful, mighty Lord; our prayer attend. Come and thy peoples bless, and give thy word success, And let thy righteousness to us descend.

Come, holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour! Thou who almighty art, rule now in ev'ry heart, Never from us depart, Spirit of power.

To the great One in Three, Eternal praises be, hence evermore! Thy sov'reign majesty may we in glory see, And to eternity love and adore.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to God!

We thank God for joy, for laughter, for abundant blessings of every kind.

Give thanks to God at all times and for everything!

We thank God, when we can and as we can, for struggles, for solitude, for fears.

Give thanks to God at all times and for everything

in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank God that, in Christ, our joys as well as our pain, our losses as well as our laughter, are in God's heart and hands. Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF PRAISE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near, joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him! All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again. Gladly forever adore him!

READING

Ephesians 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

Message

Pastor Chris Hagen

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let All Things Now Living

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God the creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
Who still guides us on to the end of our days,
God's banners are o'er us, God's light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

God rules all the forces, the stars in their courses
And sun in its orbit obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration, a song let us raise
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving,
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

OFFERING

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**PRAYERS** 

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,

We confess to you and to one another, that we have sinned against you by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us and free us from our sin. Send your Holy Spirit to empower us to live for you alone, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise

Words of Institution

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 and ever.

Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

Go forth into the world trusting with your hearts the wisdom God bestows upon all who seek to follow God's will.

When called to lead, do so with humility and confidence in God. Be in this world a sign of Jesus' presence. Share compassion with all whom you encounter. Live wisely in God's name, and glorify God in all you do.

And may the grace, mercy and wisdom of God be our support, guidance and strength from this day forward and for ever more.

Go now in peace, and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

CLOSING HYMN

On Our Way Rejoicing

Sent On our way rejoicing gladly let us go. Christ our Lord has conquered; vanquished is the foe. Christ without, our safety; Christ within, our joy; Who, if we be faithful, can our hope destroy?

Refrain: On our way rejoicing, as we forward move, Hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!

Unto God the Father joyful songs we sing; Unto God the Savior thankful hearts we bring; Unto God the Spirit bow we and adore, On our way rejoicing now and evermore. *Refrain*