



Prelude

Prelude in F Major

Bach

Introit

The Lord Is In His Holy Temple

Call to Worship

***Hymn #134**

Creating God, Your Fingers Trace

1. Creating God, Your fingers trace the bold designs for farthest space;
Let sun and moon and stars and light and what lies hidden praise Your might.
2. Sustaining God, Your hands uphold earth's mysteries known or yet untold;
Let water's fragile blend with air, enabling life, proclaim Your care.
3. Redeeming God, Your arms embrace all now despised for creed or race;
Let peace, descending like a dove, make known on earth Your healing love.
4. Indwelling God, Your gospel claims one family with a billion names;
Let every life be touched by grace until we praise you face to face.

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, we confess our sins and ask for your mercy. We do not love you with a pure heart and we cannot love our neighbor as ourselves. We do not act justly, love kindness, or walk carefully with you, our God. Have mercy on us. In your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, and for your glory, cleanse us from our sin.

***Silent Prayer of Confession**

***Assurance of Pardon**

Friends, believe the Good News.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***Congregational Response**

Gloria Patri

Welcome and Announcements

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Offertory on Land of Rest

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***Hymn #592**

The Doxology

***Prayer of Commitment 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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

***Choral Response**

Anthem

Still

Curry

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Time

***Hymn #491**

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

1. Stand up and bless the Lord, Ye people of God's choice
Stand up and bless the Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.
3. O for the living flame from God's own altar brought
To touch our lips, our minds inspire, and wing to heaven our thought!
5. Stand up and bless the Lord; the Lord your God adore;
Stand up and bless God's glorious name, henceforth forevermore.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 139:7-16

⁷ Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence?

⁸ If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! ⁹ If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, ¹⁰ even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.

¹¹ If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night," ¹² even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.

¹³ For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.

Sermon

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Being Created

*"For you formed my inward parts;
you knitted me together in my mother's womb." (Psalm 139:13)*

Prayers of the People

*Hymn #293

This Is My Father's World

1. This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world, I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.
2. This is my Father's world, oh let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world, the battle is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one.

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Response

May the Lord, mighty God,
Bless and keep you forever;
Grant you peace, perfect peace,
Courage in every endeavor.

*Postlude

Fugue in F Major

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*Please stand if able.

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