



Worship Service

NORTHAMPTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Tenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 9, 2020 AT 10:00 AM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP:

ONE: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in God's word is my hope.

MANY: I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever.

ONE: Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

ALL: Let us worship our God.

OPENING PRAYER:

Grant us, O Lord, the grace always to do and think what accords with your purpose; may be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, that we, who cannot exist without you, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

OPENING HYMN: ***Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (vs. 1, 4)***

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down;
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Finish then Thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in Thee;
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love and praise!

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

O God, we are strangers and sojourners except you are with us. We are no people except we are your people. Our very days are lost, except we find them in you. We know no mercy, except we receive your mercy. Come to us. Sing in us new songs. Teach our prayers our needs. Be our defender against the evil day and the false prosperity. Then set our wandering feet on the paths that lead us anew to him who is our home, even Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray (Take time for silent confession). AMEN.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SPECIAL MUSIC BY:

Aimee O'Neill

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

SCRIPTURE READING:

From the Epistles – 1 Corinthians 13

From the Greek Scriptures – Matthew 5:38-43

SERMON:

The Path of Friendship

Dr. Mann

CLOSING HYMN: *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee (vs. 1, 3, 5)*

Jesus, the very thought of Thee
With sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far Thy face to see
And in Thy presence rest.

O hope of every contrite heart,
O joy of all the meek,
To those who fall, how kind Thou art!
How good to those who seek!

Jesus, our only joy be Thou,
As Thou our prize wilt be;
Jesus, be Thou our glory now,
And thru eternity.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION