

**PRELUDE**

◇ A time of quiet preparation

*Brethren, We Have Met to Worship/ W. Moore  
Fantasia on "Old Hundredth"/ arr. R. Wilson*

**WORDS OF GREETING**

Brian Ingraham

**WE APPROACH GOD**

IN WORD from Isaiah 12: 1-6 (NIV)

Leader: In that day you will say: "I will praise you, O LORD.  
Although you were angry with me, your anger has turned away  
and you have comforted me.

People: **Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid.  
With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.**

Leader: In that day you will say: "Give thanks to the LORD,  
call on his name; make known among the nations what he has  
done, and proclaim that his name is exalted.

People: **Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things; let this be  
known to all the world. Shout aloud and sing for joy, people  
of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you."**

IN PRAYER

**\*WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 164

*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

**WE CONFESS OUR FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

People: **I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the  
virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was  
crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to  
judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen**

**\*WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

Leader: If you, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared. I wait  
for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I put my hope.

Psalm 130: 3-5 (NIV)

**MINISTRY MOMENT**

Kingdom Kids

**WE GREET ONE ANOTHER**

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP (4 years old to 1<sup>st</sup> grade)

WELCOME TO VISITORS

**WE SEEK GOD'S FACE**

Prayers of God's People

**WE OFFER OUR GIFTS**

OFFERING/ CHORAL OFFERTORY

*Be Still/ M. McDonald*

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 7:36-50 (NIV)

<sup>36</sup> Now one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with  
him, so he went to the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table.  
<sup>37</sup> When a woman who had lived a sinful life in that town learned  
that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, she brought an ala-  
baster jar of perfume, <sup>38</sup> and as she stood behind him at his feet  
weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped  
them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.  
<sup>39</sup> When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to  
himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know who is

touching him and what kind of woman she is--that she is a sinner."

<sup>40</sup> Jesus answered him, "Simon, I have something to tell you."  
"Tell me, teacher," he said.

<sup>41</sup> "Two men owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. <sup>42</sup> Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he canceled the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more?"

<sup>43</sup> Simon replied, "I suppose the one who had the bigger debt canceled."

"You have judged correctly," Jesus said.

<sup>44</sup> Then he turned toward the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I came into your house. You did not give me any water for my feet, but she wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. <sup>45</sup> You did not give me a kiss, but this woman, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. <sup>46</sup> You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet. <sup>47</sup> Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven--for she loved much. But he who has been forgiven little loves little."

<sup>48</sup> Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

<sup>49</sup> The other guests began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?"

<sup>50</sup> Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

SERMON

*Nobody's Perfect*  
**series: Jesus and His Church**  
Rev. Thomas E. Nicholas

**\*WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE

\*WORDS OF PEACE **498** (vss. 1-3 & 5) *Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR

(4 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

*Menuetto Osservanza/ F. Chopin*