

PRELUDE

◇ A time of quiet preparation

Come, Thou Almighty King/ arr. G. Howlett

WORDS OF GREETING

Kevin Sheahan

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

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I Chronicles 29:10-13 (NIV)

Leader: Praise be to you, O LORD, God of our father Israel,
from everlasting to everlasting.

People: **Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the
glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in
heaven and earth is yours.**

Leader: Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head
over all.

People: **Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of
all things.**

Leader: In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give
strength to all.

People: **Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your
glorious name.**

IN PRAYER

*WE PRAISE OUR GOD

HYMN OF PRAISE 75

O Father, You Are Sovereign

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

Leader: Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain?

People: **The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather
together against the LORD and against his Anointed One.**

Leader: “Let us break their chains,” they say, “and throw off their
fetters.”

People: **The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at
them. Then he rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them
in his wrath, saying,**

Leader: “I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill.”

People: **I will proclaim the decree of the LORD: He said to me,
“You are my Son; today I have become your Father.**

Leader: Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance,
the ends of the earth your possession.

People: **You will rule them with an iron scepter;
you will dash them to pieces like pottery.”**

Leader: Therefore, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.
Serve the LORD with fear and rejoice with trembling.

People: **Kiss the Son, lest he be angry and you be destroyed
in your way, for his wrath can flare up in a moment.
Blessed are all who take refuge in him.**

*WE EXALT OUR LORD

WORSHIP SONGS

Leader: But you are a shield around me, O LORD; you bestow glory
on me and lift up my head. To the LORD I cry aloud, and he answers
me from his holy hill. Psalm 3:3-4 (NIV)

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO CHILDREN’S WORSHIP (4 years old to 1st grade)

WELCOME TO VISITORS

MISSION MOMENT

Stephen & Charity Jones, video

WE SEEK GOD’S FACE

Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/ CHORAL OFFERTORY

This Is My Beloved Son/ P. Choplin

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:1-8 (NIV)

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was
led by the Spirit in the desert, ²where for forty days he was tempted
by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them
he was hungry.

³ The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread.”

⁴ Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man does not live on bread alone.’”

⁵ The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶ And he said to him, “I will give you all their authority and splendor, for it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. ⁷ So if you worship me, it will all be yours.”

⁸ Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.’”

SERMON

Jesus: Tempted by Shortcuts

Lenten series: Standing Firm in Temptation

Rev. Thomas E. Nicholas

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **565**

All for Jesus!

*WORDS OF PEACE

Dismissal of Children to Music room and Sunday School hour

(4 years through 5th grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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POSTLUDE