

PRELUDE

◇ A time of quiet preparation *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing/* arr. J. Innes

Fugue/ W. Selby

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD Isaiah 54: 7-8, 10 (NIV)

Leader: For a brief moment I abandoned you, but with deep compassion I will bring you back.

People: **In a surge of anger I hid my face from you for a moment, but with everlasting kindness I will have compassion on you,” says the LORD your Redeemer.**

Leader: Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed,

People: **Yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed,” says the LORD, who has compassion on you.**

IN PRAYER

*WE PRAISE OUR GOD

HYMN OF PRAISE 32

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

Psalm 68:1-6, 18-20, 32-35 (NIV)

Leader: May God arise, may his enemies be scattered; may his foes flee before him.

People: **As smoke is blown away by the wind, may you blow them away; as wax melts before the fire, may the wicked perish before God.**

Leader: But may the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; may they be happy and joyful.

People: **Sing to God, sing praise to his name, extol him who rides on the clouds— his name is the LORD — and rejoice before him.**

Leader: A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling.

People: **God sets the lonely in families, he leads forth the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.**

Leader: When you ascended on high, you led captives in your train; you received gifts from men, even from the rebellious— that you, O LORD God, might dwell there.

People: **Praise be to the Lord, to God our Savior, who daily bears our burdens. Our God is a God who saves; from the Sovereign LORD comes escape from death.**

Leader: Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth, sing praise to the Lord, to him who rides the ancient skies above, who thunders with mighty voice.

People: **Proclaim the power of God, whose majesty is over Israel, whose power is in the skies. You are awesome, O God, in your sanctuary; the God of Israel gives power and strength to his people. Praise be to God!**

*WE EXALT OUR LORD

WORSHIP SONGS

Leader: Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope: Because of the LORD’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
Lamentations 3:21-23 (NIV)

MISSION MOMENT

Stephen & Charity Jones video

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

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

WELCOME TO VISITORS

WE SEEK GOD’S FACE

Prayers of God’s People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/ OFFERTORY

Once and for All/ L. Daigle
Julianna Youndt, Vocals; Karen Youndt, Piano

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

EXODUS 11:1-7 (NIV)

¹ Now the LORD had said to Moses, “I will bring one more plague on Pharaoh and on Egypt. After that, he will let you go from here, and when he does, he will drive you out completely. ² Tell the people that men and women alike are to ask their neighbors for articles of silver and gold.”³ (The LORD made the Egyptians favorably disposed toward the people, and Moses himself was highly regarded in Egypt by Pharaoh’s officials and by the people.)

⁴ So Moses said, “This is what the LORD says: ‘About midnight I will go throughout Egypt.’⁵ Every firstborn son in Egypt will die, from

the firstborn son of Pharaoh, who sits on the throne, to the firstborn son of the slave girl, who is at her hand mill, and all the firstborn of the cattle as well.⁶ There will be loud wailing throughout Egypt—worse than there has ever been or ever will be again.⁷ But among the Israelites not a dog will bark at any man or animal.’ Then you will know that the LORD makes a distinction between Egypt and Israel.

EXODUS 12: 29-36 (NIV)

²⁹ At midnight the LORD struck down all the firstborn in Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh, who sat on the throne, to the firstborn of the prisoner, who was in the dungeon, and the firstborn of all the livestock as well. ³⁰ Pharaoh and all his officials and all the Egyptians got up during the night, and there was loud wailing in Egypt, for there was not a house without someone dead.

³¹ During the night Pharaoh summoned Moses and Aaron and said, “Up! Leave my people, you and the Israelites! Go, worship the LORD as you have requested. ³² Take your flocks and herds, as you have said, and go. And also bless me.”

³³ The Egyptians urged the people to hurry and leave the country. “For otherwise,” they said, “we will all die!” ³⁴ So the people took their dough before the yeast was added, and carried it on their shoulders in kneading troughs wrapped in clothing. ³⁵ The Israelites did as Moses instructed and asked the Egyptians for articles of silver and gold and for clothing. ³⁶ The LORD had made the Egyptians favorably disposed toward the people, and they gave them what they asked for; so they plundered the Egyptians.

EPHESIANS 4:4-13 (NIV)

⁴ There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope when you were called—⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

⁷ But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. ⁸ This is why it says: “When he ascended on high, he led captives in his train and gave gifts to men.”

⁹ (What does “he ascended” mean except that he also descended to the lower, earthly regions? ¹⁰ He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.) ¹¹ It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, ¹² to prepare God’s people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may

be built up¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

SERMON

Tracing the Treasure
series in Exodus
Rev. Thomas E. Nicholas

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE 434 (vss. 2, 3, 1 & 4)

Lord, Thou Lov’st the Cheerful Giver

*WORDS OF PEACE

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO MUSIC ROOM AND SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR
(4 years through 5th grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Praise His Name/ L. Stairs