

PRELUDE

◇ A time of quiet preparation *Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners/* arr. G. Sewell

What a Friend We Have in Jesus/ arr. R. Hobby

WORDS OF GREETING

Morris Lapi

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 145: 1, 3-7 (NIV)

Leader: Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;
his greatness no one can fathom.

People: **One generation will commend your works to another;
they will tell of your mighty acts.**

Leader: They will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and I will meditate on your wonderful works.

People: **They will tell of the power of your awesome works,
and I will proclaim your great deeds.**

Leader: They will celebrate your abundant goodness
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

People: **I will exalt you, my God the King;
I will praise your name for ever and ever.**

IN PRAYER

*WE PRAISE OUR GOD

HYMN OF PRAISE 32

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Q. 1

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

People: **That I am not my own, but belong— body and soul,
in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.**

**He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.**

**He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven;
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.**

**Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit,
assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly
willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*WE EXALT OUR LORD

WORSHIP SONGS

Leader: But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared,
he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done,
but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of
rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on
us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior. Titus 3:4-6 (NIV)

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

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:13-16 (NIV)

13 People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them.

14 When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

15 I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it."

16 And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.

SERMON

The Call of Baptism
Rev. Thomas E. Nicholas

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **599**

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

WORDS OF PEACE

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL HOUR (2nd to 5th grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Rigaudon/ J. DeLully