

*The Worship of God*  
In Ordinary Time  
August 9, 2020

Welcome to Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Call to Worship

Jesus said, "Come unto me,  
all you who are weary and burdened down...  
**and I will give you rest."**

Jesus said, "Peace, be still...  
**Where is your faith?"**

Jesus said, "Come away with me to a quiet place  
**and rest for a while."**

Lift up your hearts...  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Hymn of Praise

*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take him at his word,  
just to rest upon his promise, just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

*Refrain:*

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood,  
just in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood!

*[Refrain]*

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease,  
just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace.

*[Refrain]*

I'm so glad I learned to trust you, precious Jesus, Savior, Friend,  
and I know that you are with me, will be with me to the end.

*[Refrain]*

Invocation

Gospel Reading  
Matthew 14:22-33

The Word of the Lord for God's people.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Silent Meditation

*Contemplation is life itself, fully awake, fully active,  
fully aware that it is alive. It is spiritual wonder.  
It is spontaneous awe at the sacredness of life, of being.  
It is gratitude for life, for awareness, for being.*  
Thomas Merton

New Testament Reading  
Romans 10:5-15

Piano Meditation

Responsive Prayer (from Psalm 17)

Hear, O Lord, my righteous plea; listen to my cry.  
*...Silent Prayers of Petition*

Though you probe my heart and examine me at night, though you test  
me, you will find nothing; I have resolved that my mouth will not sin.

**Give ear to my prayer...  
May my vindication come from you;  
may your eyes see what is right.**

*...Silent Prayers of Confession*

I call on you, O God, for you will answer me; give ear to me and hear  
my prayer.

**Show the wonder of your great love, you who save by your  
right hand those who take refuge in you.  
Keep me as the apple of your eye;  
hide me in the shadow of your wings...**

*...Silent Prayers of Assurance*

Witness of Faith

*He Is Lord*

He is Lord, He is Lord!  
He is risen from the dead, and He is Lord!  
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Sermon

Prayer

Lord God, friend of those in need,  
your Son Jesus has untied our burdens and healed our spirits.  
We lift up the prayers of our hearts for those still burdened,  
those seeking healing, those in need within the church and the world.  
Hear our prayers  
that we may love you with our whole being,  
even as we pray as you taught us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread and  
forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the Kingdom  
and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

May the peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Go in peace.

Benediction

**The Lord whom we love, whom we worship and adore,  
we will serve throughout this coming week.  
He it is who binds us together,  
and He it is who sends us apart,  
to be God's people, be God's people. Amen.**



*Disciples See Christ Walking on the Water, 1907*  
Henry Ossawa Tanner

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