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# Come and Worship the Lord

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Today's Lay Reader: Naamah Leary

#### Welcome

#### **Call to Worship**

Leader: Come! Now is the time to Worship! **People: Though many, we come as one!** 

Leader: We come to be one body, worshiping one Lord of all!

People: We come to be equipped with all we need to fulfill our

callings and finish our races.

Prelude O Jesus, I Have Promised arr. Todd Kendall

# Hymn

### Heralds of Christ

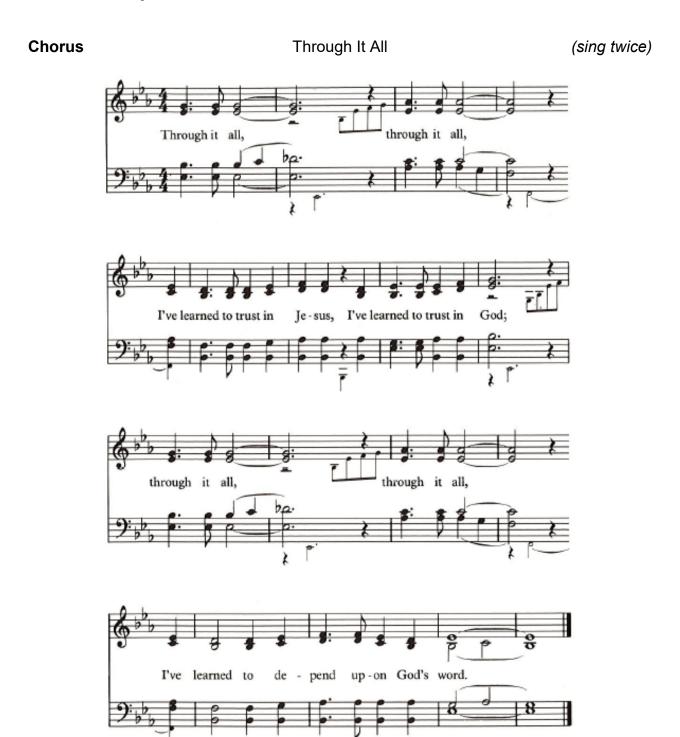


#### **Opening Prayer**

Lord, thank you for this day. This is a day that you have made and we will rejoice and be glad in it! Pour out your Holy Spirit on us as we worship you through song, prayer and the reading of your Word. We are ready to be sent out into the mission field to be the hands and feet of Christ in the world! Amen.

# **Pastoral Prayer**

# The Lord's Prayer



Senior Choir God's Work Don Besig

#### Young Disciples Chatting with the Rev

Old Testament Lesson

1 Kings 2:8-10

There is also with you Shimei son of Gera, a Benjaminite from Bahurim, who cursed me with a terrible curse on the day when I went to Mahanaim, but when he came down to meet me at the Jordan, I swore to him by the Lord, 'I will not put you to death with the sword.' Therefore do not hold him guiltless, for you are a wise man; you will know what you ought to do to him, and you must bring his gray head down with blood to Sheol."

Then David slept with his ancestors and was buried in the city of David.

#### New Testament Lesson

2 Timothy 4:6-18

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful to me in ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Message Finishing Well

Rev. David W. Cobb

# Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Offertory Make Me a Channel of Your Peace arr. Douglas Wagner

**Doxology** Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Hymn** God Bless America

God bless America, land that I love Stand beside her and guide her

Through the night with the light from above

From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam

God bless America, my home sweet home

From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam

God bless America, my home sweet home God bless America, my home sweet home

Benediction

Postlude The Rejoicing Charles Callahan

This week, Rev. Dave Cobb is preaching for us! Rev. Cobb served as the pastor of the Presbyterian Church here in Absecon for 30 years. Upon retirement, he settled in here at Absecon UMC where his son, Jack, was already worshiping and teaching Sunday School. He sings in our choir, is active in our Bible Studies and volunteers for our Vacation Bible School. He is preaching on 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18.