# The United Methodist Church at Absecon

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# Come and Worship the Lord

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Today's Lay Reader: Naamah Leary

#### Welcome

#### **Call to Worship**

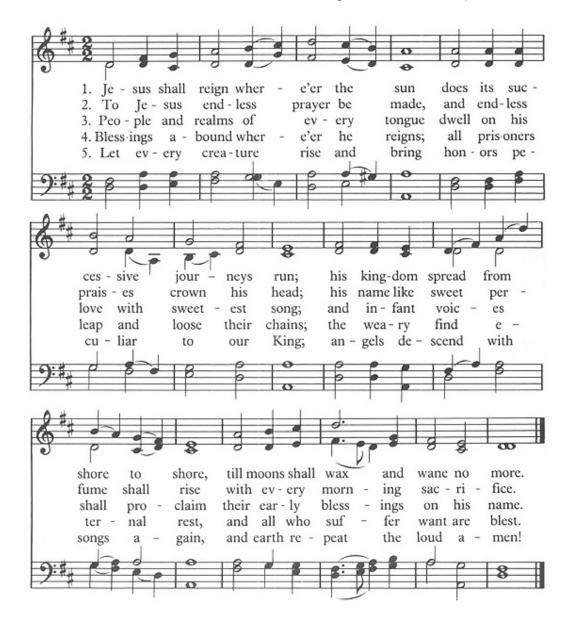
- Leader: Come! Whoever you are, wherever you are, come! Now is the time to worship.
- People: 11 am on Sunday morning is our time to experience God through worship!
- Leader: What time is it?
- People: Do we answer that in our time, or in God's time? Sometimes, to get to God's time, we have to be patient and trust in God.

Prelude

"Noel" from Chartre

Léon Boëllmann

Hymn



#### **Opening Prayer**

Almighty God, during this time of prayer we thank you for all that you have given us. You have declared so often that it was time to bless us. 2,000 years ago, you declared it was time to save us. You make all things beautiful in your time. You know the plans you have for us, and when it is time for us to experience them. You know what time it is right now. Help us to be patient when necessary, and active when the time is right!

**Pastoral Prayer** 

#### The Lord's Prayer

#### Chorus

#### **Bind Us Together**

Bind us together Lord, Bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together Lord, bind us together, bind us together in love.

There is only one God, there is only one King. There is only one body, that is why we sing:

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#### **Senior Choir**

#### Sing a Joyful Song

Allen Pote

#### Young Disciples Chatting with the Rev

#### Scripture Lesson

Psalm 40:1-11

I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.
He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog,
and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.
He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear and put their trust in the Lord.

Happy are those who make the Lord their trust,
who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.
You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you.
Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required. Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation;
see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord.
I have not hidden your saving help within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;
I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

Do not, O Lord, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God **People:** Thanks be to God

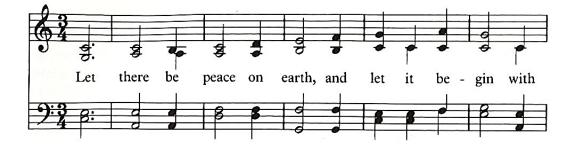
Message What Time Is It?
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## Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Offertory	Meditation in A Minor	Eric H. Thiman
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!	

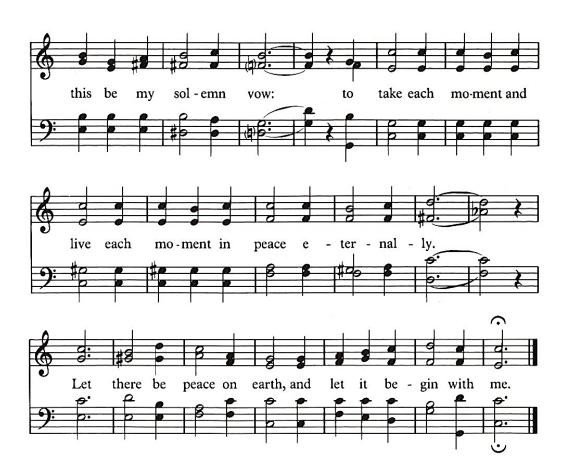
Hymn

Let There Be Peace on Earth



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## **Benediction**

PostludeFantasy on "Holy God We Praise Thy Name"Bram Bruin

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