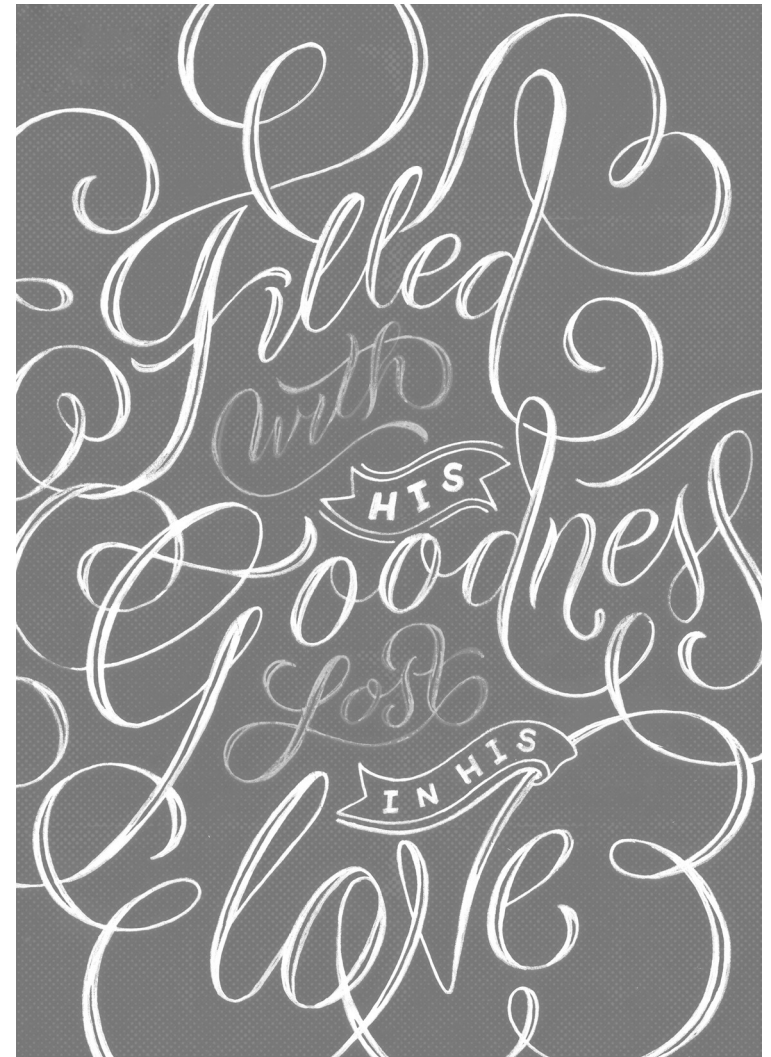


Ordinary Time

October 7, 2018



Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. Justin Bailey ♦ Organ/Piano: Ryan Smit, Lois Vander Zee ♦ Violin: Amie Smit
Worship Leader: Deb Hibma
Sound: Jeff Ploegstra ♦ Projection: Goslingas ♦ CCLI #493458 ♦ OneLicense #A-721171

Ordinary time refers to the Sundays between Pentecost and Advent, a season in the liturgical year of growth in the life of the church.

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God Gathers Us for Worship

Prelude: "Now with Joyful Exultation" A.V. Fedak

Welcome

*Call to Worship: Psalm 95:6,7 p.934

Come, let us bow down in worship,

let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;

for he is our God

and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

*Gathering Song: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LUYH 575:1,2,4

*Opening Prayer

*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

*Song of Praise: "God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength" LUYH 432:1,2,5

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Prayer of Confession: Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

and in his word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord

more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the Lord!

For with the Lord there is steadfast love,

and with him is great power to redeem.

Assurance of Pardon

*Song of Dedication and Thanksgiving: "My Soul Finds Rest" LUYH 370

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Blessing: "O God, You Are My God" LUYH 743

Children ages 3 years old through Kindergarten are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary to receive a prayer of blessing before going downstairs to the Multi-Purpose Room for a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.

Scripture: Psalm 95 p.933

Sermon: "Worship and the Wilderness" Dr. Justin Bailey

*Song of Response: "Open Your Ears, O Faithful People" LUYH 751:1,2

We Respond with Thanksgiving

Offertory Prayer and Offering of our Gifts

Each week at Covenant we receive a monetary offering to support the mission and ministry of the church. This morning's offering will support the General Fund, and specifically to Ministry Shares, a way we can participate in something bigger through our denominational ministries.

Offertory: "God Himself Is with Us" M. Reger

Moment for Missions: Sos & Kara Maletoungou

We Share Our Joys and Concerns and Pray for One Another

Song: "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord" LUYH 884

We are Sent with God's Blessing

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Go Now in Peace" LUYH 950

Postlude: "Earth and All Stars" D.N. Johnson