

WORSHIP *at home*

BETHEL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Sunday, October 18, 2020

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Our hearts are ready, O Lord,
our hearts are ready!

We will sing and make melody!

We will awaken the dawn!

We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples,
we will sing praises to you among the nations.

**For your steadfast love is great above the heavens,
and your faithfulness reaches the clouds.**

Song of Response: "Desert Song"

God's Greeting

Song: "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Call to Confession

Our God is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. He is close to all who call on Him in truth, listening to their cries for help and offering them salvation. So, let's bring our confession to God, knowing that he will hear our prayers and forgive. Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Online Update

Tune into our livestream service,
Sunday at 10am
[Direct link to service](#)
through our Facebook page,
[\(click here for the link\)](#)
You can also watch it later on Facebook,
through our [website](#), or on
[RightNow Media](#)

Song of Assurance:

"Come as You Are (Lay Down Your Burden)"

Assurance of Pardon

This is the good news of the gospel, and it is for you and for all. Whatever you have done, whatever you have failed to do, whoever you are, whoever you wish you were but are not: You are accepted, you are welcomed. You are raised up. You are forgiven, you are set free. In the love of Jesus Christ, you are loved forever. In the waters of baptism, we are set free to let go what is old and broken, to live a new life in the resurrection, and to follow together a joyful way, after Jesus Christ, our loving Savior. Thanks be to God

Children's Blessing: [Children's Video](#)

Offering: *Bethel Budget & Outreach*

Prayer for Illumination

Hearing God's Word

Scripture: Lamentations 3:19-26

Message: "Comfort in Troubled Times"

Song of Response: "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Prayers of God's People

Communion

Sending Song: "Death Was Arrested"

Blessing

Closing Praise: "Spirit Fall on Us"