



Nassau Presbyterian Church

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Prelude

Kinderszenen, Op. 15 No. 1

Robert Schumann

Call to Worship

I John 5:1-4

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God.

Everyone who loves the parent loves the child.

By this we know that we love the children of God,
when we love God and obey God's commandments.

**For the love of God is this,
that we obey God's commandments.**

And God's commandments are not burdensome.

For whatever is born of God conquers the world.

And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith.

People of God, come, and let us worship God!

Opening Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

Red Hymnal 450

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,
in your gracious presence
we confess our sin and the sin of this world.**

**Although Christ is among us as our peace,
we are a people divided against ourselves
as we cling to the values of a broken world.**

**The profit and pleasures we pursue
lay waste the land and pollute the seas.**

**The fears and jealousies that we harbor
set neighbor against neighbor
and nation against nation.**

**We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom,
of intellect and reason,
and have turned them into bonds of oppression.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us;
heal and forgive us.**

**Set us free to serve you in the world
as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends in Christ, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Response of Praise

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Red Hymnal 611
Verse 1

Words of Welcome

Sacrament of Baptism

Time with Children

Who is the greatest?

Mark 9 : 33-37



Proclaiming the Word

We encounter the Word in speech and song
as we interpret and expound scripture.

Prayer for Illumination

**God of mercy,
you promised never to break your covenant with us.
Amid all the changing words of our generation,
speak your eternal Word who does not change.
Then may we respond to your gracious promises
with faithful and obedient lives;
through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson

Psalm 98

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Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.
O Lord, you have made known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness

in the sight of the nations.
 You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness
 to the house of Israel;
 all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;
 lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
 Sing to the Lord with the harp,
 with the harp and the voice of song.
 With trumpets and the sound of the horn
 shout with joy before the king, the Lord.
 Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
 the world and those who dwell therein.
 Let the rivers clap their hands,
 and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
 who comes to judge the earth.

Second Scripture Lesson

Acts 10 : 44-48

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While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, “Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Sermon

Even Them

David A. Davis



Thanksgiving

We respond by presenting our offerings, setting the table,
 lifting prayers, and praising the triune God.

Sermon Hymn

Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters

Red Hymnal 490

Affirmation of Faith

Confession of 1967

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**God’s sovereign love is a mystery
 beyond the reach of the human mind.**

**Human thought ascribes to God
superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness.
But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ
by showing power in the form of a servant,
wisdom in the folly of the cross,
and goodness in receiving sinful men and women.
The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world
discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator
who made all things to serve the purpose of God's love.**

Offertory

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

music Fred Bock
text Edwin Hatch



Sending

We follow the Word into the world, sent forth with
God's blessing to lives of service and love.

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

music Red Hymnal 609
text Red Hymnal 606

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Response

Going and Coming

Joachim Schwarz

Postlude

Maestoso in D

Robert Schumann

Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgists

Karen Brown & James Takasugi

Lauren J. McFeaters

Time with Children

Nancy Lammers Gross

Jade Hage

Otis Byrd Jr.

Margaret Brungard

Byron Walker

Musicians

Elem Eley, soloist

Benediction response: Ingrid

Ladendorf, Marissa Chalker,

George Somerville, Elem Eley

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