

The Church at Worship

* Invitation to stand or join as you are able * Congregational responses **BOLDED**

Prelude *Morning Song*

arr. Brad Nix



Welcome/Life of the Fellowship

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit *Kyrie*

Stephanie Martin

Together, We Come to God

Call to Worship (from hymn #565)

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
such a way as gives us breath,
such a truth as ends all strife,
such a life as killeth death.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
such a joy as none can move,
such a love as none can part,
such a heart as joys in love.

***Opening Hymn #433** *All creatures of our God and King, vs 1,2 5, 6*

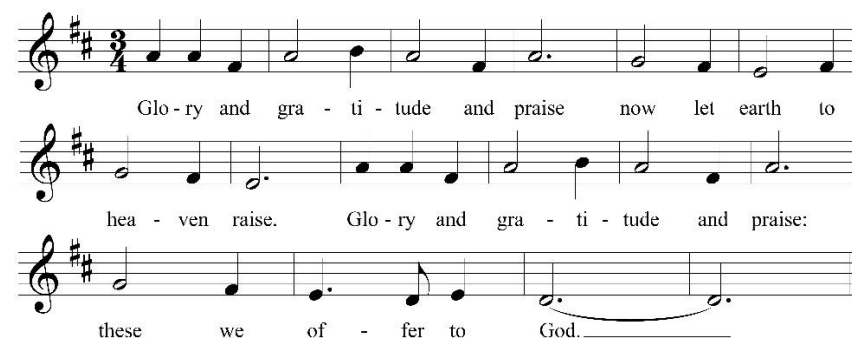
*** Prayer of Approach** (from Julian of Norwich, 14th C)

God, of your goodness give me yourself,
for you are sufficient for me.

**I cannot properly ask anything less
to be worthy of you.**

If I were to ask less, I should always be in want.
In you alone do I have all. Amen.

*** Sung Response**



God Speaks to Us

Scripture Reading **Hebrew Bible** Exodus 33: 12-23

Psalms 99 (with sung refrain- see insert)

Musical Reflection *Breath of God* Eugene Englert

***Gospel Reading** Matthew 22: 15-22

Children's Time *Everyone Matters* Pat Thomas

Bible Quest Invitation **Hymn #496**

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path (x2)

Scripture Reading **Epistle** 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10

Sermon *A Message from Thessalonica* Rev. Terry Dempsey

We Respond to God

***Hymn of Response** **#764** *There's a spirit in the air, vs 1, 3, 5, 7*

Blessing of the Offering

Pastoral Prayer

*** Closing Hymn** **#652** *Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go*

*** Benediction**

OVER PLEASE

*Sung Blessing



1. Serve, I will serve you, Lord, with all my heart. O God, I will tell the
2. Serve, I will serve you, Lord, with all my heart. In you I will find the

6



1. won-ders of your ways, and glo - ri - fy your name - .
2. source of all my joy. Hal - le - lu - - - - jah!

Postlude *I'll Fly Away*

Bill Wolaver

NOTES

THANK YOU to all the people who freely offer their time and talent, without whom today's worship service would not be possible.

Special thanks to Rev. Terry Dempsey for joining us today.

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*We always give thanks to God
for all of you and mention you
in our prayers...*

1 Thessalonians 1:2

MacNeill Baptist Church acknowledges the traditional territory upon which we gather as a community of faith, that territory of the Anishinaabe and the Haudenosaunee peoples. We seek a new relationship with the Original Peoples of this land, one based in peace, friendship, and respect. Acknowledging territory is a beginning and not an ending in terms of our work towards truth and reconciliation. We hope that this acknowledgement will be a springboard towards a deeper relationship with all Indigenous peoples we meet.

