Worship Service

(5/17/2020)

**Prelude** (*Come, thou almighty King*)

*Verse 1*

*Come, Thou almighty King,  
Help us Thy Name to sing, help us to praise!  
Father all glorious, o'er all victorious,  
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!*

*Verse 2*

*Come, Thou incarnate Word,  
Gird on Thy mighty sword, our prayer attend!  
Come, and Thy people bless, and give Thy Word success,  
Spirit of holiness, on us descend!*

*Verse 3*

*Come, holy Comforter,  
Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.  
Thou Who almighty art, now rule in every heart,  
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power!*

*Verse 4*

*To Thee, great One in Three,  
Eternal praises be, hence, evermore.  
Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see,  
And to eternity love and adore!*

**Call to Worship**

**Invocation**

**Welcome and announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

**Confession of Sins**

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

**Absolution**

**Introit**

**Scripture Lessons**

First Lesson: Acts 17:16-31

Epistle: 1 Peter 3:13-22

Gospel: John 14:15-21

**Confession of Faith**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate; Was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into Hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven; And is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From where He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; The Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Hymn before the sermon:** (*Children of the heavenly Father*)

*Verse 1*

*Children of the Heavenly Father  
Safely in His bosom gather  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven  
Such a refuge e’er was given*

*Verse 2*

*God His own doth tend and nourish  
In His holy courts they flourish  
From all evil things He spares them  
In His mighty arms He bears them*

*Verse 3*

*Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord His children sever  
Unto them His grace He showeth  
And their sorrows all He knoweth*

*Verse 4*

*Though He giveth or He taketh  
God His children ne’er forsaketh  
His the loving purpose solely  
To preserve them pure and holy*

**Sermon**

“Tearing Down the Idols” Acts 17:16-31

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Benediction**

**Postlude** (*Take my life, that I may be)*

*Verse 1*

*Take my life, and let it be   
consecrated, Lord, to Thee.  
Take my moments and my days;   
let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

*Verse 2*

*Take my hands, and let them move   
at the impulse of Thy love.  
Take my feet, and let them be   
swift and beautiful for Thee.*

*Verse 3*

*Take my voice, and let me sing   
always, only, for my King.  
Take my lips, and let them be  
filled with messages from Thee.*

*Verse 4*

*Take my silver and my gold;   
not a mite would I withhold.  
Take my intellect, and use   
every power as Thou shalt choose.*