

**Murray Presbyterian Church**  
**August 23, 2020 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

*We worship in Spirit and in Truth.*

Prelude Music

Welcome and Announcements

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship with Silence

Ringling of the Church Bell

Call to Worship:

Leader: Come, all you who are thirsty,  
come to the waters;  
and you who have no money,  
come, buy and eat!

**People: Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without cost.**

Leader: Why spend money on what is not bread,  
and your labor on what does not satisfy?

**People: Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good,  
and you will delight in the richest of fare.**

Leader: Give ear and come to me;  
listen, that you may live.

**People: I will make an everlasting covenant with you,  
my faithful love promised to David.**

--Isaiah 55:1-3

Hymn: *Holy, Holy Holy*

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

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**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!,  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

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**Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee  
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.**

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**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

### Prayer of Confession

**Lord, we come before you with the sincere desire to be faithful. Yet we are often misguided and fail to reflect your image in us. We confess we are seduced by the lure of greater wealth and the accumulation of things; help us find true contentment in your presence and your grace. We know you are the Creator and called all of creation good; we confess our hard hearts in the face of the destruction of your creation. We confess that we are sometimes overwhelmed with the disparity between rich and poor and that we do not know how to respond. Help us to build your kingdom of peace and justice. We praise you for your mercy and your power and ask your forgiveness. May we have the strength to repent, to turn around. Heal us, we pray. In your name, Amen.**

### Silent Reflection

### Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response: *Gloria Patri*  
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
World without end. Amen.**

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### Youth Message

Scripture: Revelation 18: 9-20

Sermon by Reverend Dr. William McConnell

*"Unveiling the True Cost of Commerce"  
Revelation, pt. 11*

Song: *I'd Rather Have Jesus* "I'd Rather Have Jesus" words and music by George Beverly Shea,

Rhea F. Miller

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**I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold;  
I'd rather be His than have riches untold;  
I'd rather have Jesus than houses or lands.  
I'd rather be led by His nail pierced hand**

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Song Number: 16653

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**Than to be the king of a vast domain  
Or be held in sin's dread sway.  
I'd rather have Jesus than anything  
This world affords today.**

**I'd rather have Jesus than men's applause;  
I'd rather be faithful to His dear cause;  
I'd rather have Jesus than worldwide fame.  
I'd rather be true to His holy name**

**Than to be the king of a vast domain  
Or be held in sin's dread sway.  
I'd rather have Jesus than anything  
This world affords today.**

**He's fairer than lilies of rarest bloom;  
He's sweeter than honey from out the comb;  
He's all that my hungering spirit needs.  
I'd rather have Jesus and let Him lead**

**Than to be the king of a vast domain  
Or be held in sin's dread sway.  
I'd rather have Jesus than anything  
This world affords today.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer  
*(using 'debts and debtors')*

Offering of Ourselves and Gifts to God

Song: *How Firm A Foundation*

"How Firm a Foundation"

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**How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word  
What more can He say than to you He hath said  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled**

**Fear not, I am with thee; oh be not dismayed  
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand**

**When through the deep waters I call thee to go  
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow  
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless  
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress**

**When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie  
My grace all sufficient shall be thy supply  
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine**

**The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake**

### Benediction and Benediction Response

**May the Lord, mighty God  
Bless you and keep you forever  
Grant you peace, perfect peace  
Courage in every endeavor.**

**Lift up your eyes and see His face  
And His grace forever  
May the Lord, mighty God  
Bless you and keep you forever.**

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