

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
Hagerstown, Maryland

MORNING WORSHIP

10:00 AM

October 18, 2020

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lisa Bussard, Worship Leader

One: Everyone who serves God come and offer thanks.

All: **Thank you God for your love to me.**

One: Everyone who has gathered in this place,
lift your hands and praise God.

All: **People: Thank you God for your love in this place.**

One: Shout praises to God for you are
God's servants, so shout praises.

All: **Thank you God for your love to others.**

One: All who serve in this place, who serve our God,
come and shout praises.

All: **Thank you God for your love that we can share.**

One: Praise the name of our God who is kind and good.

All: **Thank you God for your love endures forever.**

*HYMN #76

"Praise, I will praise you, Lord"

[Verse 1]

Praise, I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart.

O God, I will tell the wonders of your ways, and glorify your name.

Praise, I will praise you Lord, with all my heart.

In you I will find the source of all my joy. Alleluia!

[Verse 2]

Love, I will love you, Lord, with all my heart.

O God, I will tell the wonders of your ways, and glorify your name.

Praise, I will praise you Lord, with all my heart.

In you I will find the source of all my joy. Alleluia!

[Verse 3]

Serve, I will serve you, Lord, with all my heart.

O God, I will tell the wonders of your ways, and glorify your name.

Praise, I will praise you Lord, with all my heart.

In you I will find the source of all my joy. Alleluia!

*OPENING PRAYER

Holy God, we come before you with awe, for you are great in love and power. You call us to carry out your mission of love to the world, yet we struggle to understand why you choose us. Speak to us through your Word. Assure us of your continuing presence, as we worship and as we share the risk and challenge of living our faith. By your powerful Spirit, turn our fear to courage and our confusion to confidence, that we will serve as faithful followers of the One in whose name we pray. Amen.

A MOMENT TO BECOME LIKE CHILDREN

SERVICE OF GIVING

Offertory Invitation

God has shown us the meaning of generosity in the beautiful diversity of creation, in the overflowing love of Jesus Christ, in the never-ending gift of the Holy Spirit.

God has abundantly blessed us and called us to be a community that honors each other, to be servants to others with joy, to share our love and material possessions.

Let us rejoice in what we have been given and in what is ours to give.

Let us give this morning by placing our offerings in the offering plate, or mailing them to the church, or by using Paypal. Together, as we give, we declare our dedication to Jesus and our obedience to serve him.

Offertory

*Response #119

"Doxology"

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, we hear about the cost of discipleship. Nothing less than our whole life is required. We dedicate these gifts in response to Christ's call, and offer ourselves in full commitment. Take us and mold us according to his will. We pray that who we are may be acceptable, what we do may find favor and that which we give will reflect your love.

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Please remember our worship is also on Facebook Live and our website.

Please do not share any personal information you do not want public.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SPECIAL MUSIC

Julie Herman

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SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 12:12-31

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. 13 For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. 14 Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. 15 If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. 16 And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. 17 If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? 18 But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. 19 If all were a single member, where would the body be? 20 As it is, there are many members, yet one body. 21 The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” 22 On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, 23 and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; 24 whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, 25 that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. 26 If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. 27 Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. 28 And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. 29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? 30 Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? 31 But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

MESSAGE

"How Will We Show Our Love?" (Part 2)
Pastor Twyla Rowe

UNISON PRAYER

Generous and loving God, we come to you in thanksgiving, knowing that all we are and all that we have is a gift from you. In faith and love, help us to do your will. We are listening. Speak your words into the depth of our souls, that we may hear you clearly.

We offer to you this day all the facets of our lives, whether it be at home, at work, or at school. We seek to be patient, to be merciful, to be generous, to be holy...and most of all...to be loving. Give us the wisdom and insight to understand your will for us and the fervor to carry out our good intentions.

We offer our gifts of time, talent and possessions to you as a true act of faith, to reflect our love for you and our neighbors. Help us to reach out to others as you have reached out to us. Amen.

*HYMN #389 (verses 1,2,5,6) "Take my life"

[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, 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, swift and beautiful for Thee.

[Verse 5]

Take my will, and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne, it shall be Thy royal throne.

[Verse 6]

*Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee, ever, only, all for Thee.*

*BENEDICTION

After the Benediction, you may be seated. Please continue in a spirit of worship as we listen to the Postlude music.

POSTLUDE

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\*Please rise — in body or spirit — as an act of worship  
Thank you for joining us in worship today.  
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