

Church on the Hill

A Congregation of the
Reformed Church in America
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10:30 A.M.



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Mr. Sean Cotty – Music Director

Rev. Robert A. Perless – Pastor Emeritus

6TH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

ORDER OF WORSHIP

BOLD – Congregation responds

* – Congregation Stands

Prelude

Nimrod (from the Enigma Variations)
by Edward Elgar

Sean Cotty

Welcome

Votum

Sentences of Scripture

Prayer of Invocation

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you:
Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness
we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of
your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may
please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our
Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Call to Worship

* **Hymn No. 603**

O How Blest Art the Poor in Spirit

*O how blest are the poor in spirit,
Theirs is the kingdom of heaven;
And how blest are the sad and mournful
They'll be consoled by God.*

*Blest and happy we shall be-
Listen to the Master's word!
Soon the kingdom's coming-
Watch and see: The kingdom of the Lord!*

*O how blest are the meek and humble,
They will inherit the earth;
And how blest those who hunger for goodness
They all will feast with God.*

*Blest and happy we shall be
Listen to the Master's word!
Soon the kingdom's coming
Watch and see: The kingdom of the Lord!*

*O how blest are the mercy givers,
Such mercy they will receive;
And how blest are the pure in heart
They surely will see God.*

*Blest and happy we shall be
Listen to the Master's word!
Soon the kingdom's coming
Watch and see: The kingdom of the Lord!*

*O how blest are the true peacemakers,
They will be known as God's children;
And how blest those who suffer for justice
They will be honored by God.*

*Blest and happy we shall be
Listen to the Master's word!
Soon the kingdom's coming
Watch and see: the kingdom of the Lord!*

Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sins. You alone know how often we have wandered from your ways, wasted your gifts, and forgotten your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive us, and help us to live in your light and to walk in your ways. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

Assurance of Pardon/God's Wisdom for Life

Anthem

Go and Tell John

Lloyd Pfautsch

*Go and tell John what you see and hear,
That the blind recover their sight.*

*Go and tell John what you see and hear,
That the lame are able to walk.*

*Go and tell John what you see and hear,
That the deaf are able to hear.*

*Go and tell John what you see and hear,
That the sick regain their health.*

*Go and tell John what you see and hear,
That the dead are raised to life.*

*Happy is the man who comes to me,
Happy is the man who believes in me
For he shall see God.*

Prayer of Illumination

Holy Spirit, open our hearts to receive your Word, reveal to us the good news, and enable us to trust in the promise of salvation in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Scripture Readings

Nick Restivo

1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Luke 6:17-26

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“You Are So Blessed!”

Rev. Doug Estella

*Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed (RCA contemporary version)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
And born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic* Church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.**

** The word "catholic" means "universal," referring to all followers of Christ worldwide.*

Anthem

The Word was God Rosephanye Powell

*In the beginning was the Word,
And the Word was with God,
And the Word was God.*

*The same was in the beginning with God.
All things were made that have been made.
Nothing was made, He has not made.*

*All things were made by Him
And the Word was God!*

Doxology

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghose. Amen.***

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

***Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done,
On earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation,***

**But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom and the power
And the glory, forever. Amen.**

Prayer Response

***Hymn No. 689**

Let the Words of My Mouth

*Let the words of my mouth
And the meditation of my heart
Be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord,
My strength and my Redeemer.
Amen.*

***Benediction Response**

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

*The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord lift his countenance upon you,
And give you peace.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
And be gracious unto you.
Amen.*

Postlude

Improvisation on "Thaxted"

Sean Cotty



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Music Note

Throughout February the Chancel Choir will present Spirituals in recognition of Black History Month. "Go And Tell John" is based on Matthew 11:2-6. It quotes the words of Jesus telling disciples what to report to the imprisoned John the Baptist.

Join Our Email List!

Be sure to sign up for our email list to keep up with the latest Church on the Hill happenings through the weekly email and the Beacon. Add your name and email to the sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary or send an email to the church office at office@churchonthehill.org.

PRAYER LIST

Please reach out to the church office if you would like to add a name to the prayer list. Email office@churchonthehill.org

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check the weekly email tomorrow for all the happenings and ministries of Church on the Hill!

BARGAIN BOUTIQUE

Keeping in mind the continued health and safety of church staff and members of our community, the Consistory at Church on the Hill has decided to close the Bargain Boutique until it is refurbished. We will not accept donations at this time.

Zoom Coffee Hour

Join us after the service for the [Zoom Coffee Hour](#)! It's a chance to catch up with your friends and to hear the latest news of what's happening outside your house!

Prayer Requests

If you would like to add a loved one to the prayer list, or if your loved one no longer needs to be on the prayer list, please contact the church office. Thank you!

Edward Bausman

Diane Blagburn

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The Family of

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