

# Paxton Presbyterian Church

Established 1732



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## May 10, 2020 ~ 5th Sunday of Easter

Worship 10:00 AM

### **WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

(Take time to prepare your heart to worship God.)

PRELUDE

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

MUSIC INTERLUDE

### **TO GIVE PRAISE TO GOD**

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 118

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

O come, let us sing to the Lord,

**And shout with joy to the Rock of our salvation.**

\* HYMN 643 "Now Thank We All Our God"

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. With reverent and humble hearts may we draw closer to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.**

*(Please pause for a moment of silent confession.)*

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Good News. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**Praise God. Amen.**

\* GLORIA PATRI

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### **CHURCH COLLAGE**

Calling everyone who can take a picture or video and/or who can have a picture or a video taken of them! We would like to create a collage of our church members—doing puzzles, taking walks, playing in the yard, playing with their pets, cooking, eating—doing anything really as we social distance, but want to be connected. Please submit electronically a picture or a video showing what you and your isolation buddies are doing to:

<https://paxton.breezechms.com/form/a2bae3>

We will compile the submissions into a collage and share it with our church family. Some/All of these will be used during the Church's live stream. Please submit your picture and/or video by May 20, 2020. We are looking forward to seeing what our church family is doing! Please participate!!

### **"ADOPT" A FAMILY WITH YOUNG CHILDREN**

We want our young children (Grade 5 and younger) to know that they are valued and remembered by church members outside of their family. If you would be interested in "adopting" a family and sending a card or cards to the young children in the family, please respond to the church office at [office@paxtonchurch.org](mailto:office@paxtonchurch.org) letting them know that you are interested.

If you have a young family in mind, just identify that family. If you do not have a family in mind, we can give you the information—names and ages of children, and address—that will allow you to make the connection. Thanks so much for considering this—children love to get mail, particularly during this time of isolation and we can create lasting connections within our church family.

## 686 God of Our Life

God of our life, through all the circling years,  
we trust in thee.

In all the past, through all our hopes and fears,  
thy hand we see.

With each new day, when morning lifts the veil,  
We own thy mercies, Lord, which never fail.

God of the past, our times are in thy hand.

With us abide.

Lead us by faith to hope's true promised land.

Be thou our guide.

With thee to bless, the darkness shines as light,

And faith's fair vision changes into sight.

God of the coming years, through paths unknown  
we follow thee.

When we are strong, Lord, leave us not alone.

Our refuge be.

Be thou for us in life our daily bread,

Our heart's true home when all our years have sped.

### TO CELEBRATE THE FAMILY OF FAITH

PASSING OF THE PEACE

MORNING PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

### TO HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

**This is the word of the Lord.**

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

GOSPEL LESSON

John 14:1-14

**This is the word of the Lord.**

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Staying Close to God"

Pastor Green

HYMN 702 "Christ Be Beside Me"

\* APOSTLE'S CREED

### TO OFFER OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

\* DOXOLOGY

### TO GO REJOICING IN GOD'S NAME

\* HYMN 686 "God of Our Life"

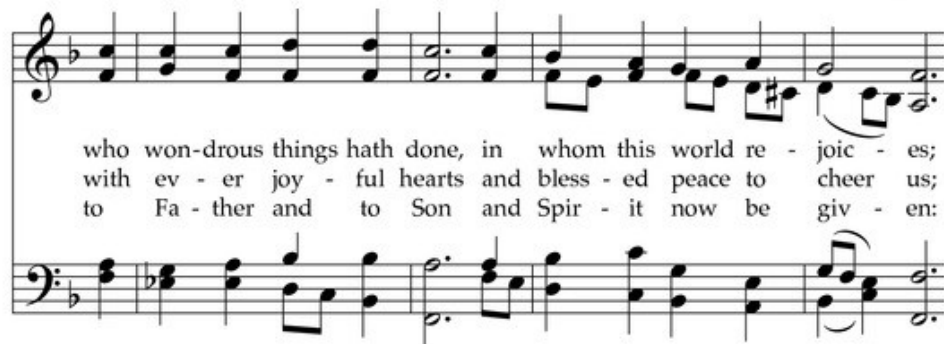
BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

## 643 Now Thank We All Our God



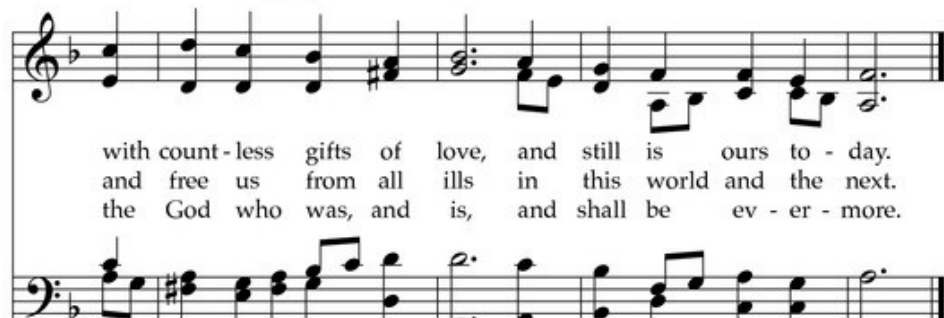
1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,



who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;  
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;  
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:



who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way  
and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.  
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.  
the God who was, and is, and shall be ever more.

## 702 Christ Be Beside Me

Christ be beside me;  
Christ be before me;  
Christ be behind me;  
King of my heart.  
Christ be within me;  
Christ be below me,  
Christ be above me,  
Never to part.

Christ on my right hand,  
Christ on my left hand,  
Christ all around me,  
Shield in the strife.  
Christ in my sleeping,  
Christ in my sitting,  
Christ in my rising,  
Light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts  
thinking about me;  
Christ be on all tongues  
telling of me.  
Christ be the vision  
in eyes that see me;  
in ears that hear me  
Christ ever be.