



*“Noah and the Dove,” Émile Aebischer
Parish Church of Gruyeres, Fribourg, Switzerland
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD
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ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
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The patience and forgiveness spilling forth from hearts broken open by God's love may paint the walls of the church, color its people, and emanate from its doors and windows into the world. We simply need to ask the question with wonder like that of the child: "Can we take that rainbow home and put it in our house?" — Jane Anne Ferguson

Gathering Music

"Praise Medley"

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Cristina Adams

Prelude

"Adagio"

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* Call to Worship

Laura McCorkill

Psalm 14

Leader: The Lord looks down from heaven to see if there are any who are wise,
who seek after God.

People: They have all gone astray, there is no one who is good, no, not one.

Leader: Have they no knowledge, those who devour God's people
and do not call upon the Lord?

People: O that our deliverer would come! Lord, restore our lives and make us glad.

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

* Hymn of Praise (CONGR 319)

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

LOBE DEN HERREN

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you!

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

If able, please text or message someone from the congregation and share with them the sign of peace.

* Responding in Peace (CONGR 337, v. 1)

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

LAUDA ANIMA

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to His feet your tribute bring;

Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore His praises sing.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

* Gospel Reading

Matthew 24:37-39

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Children's Sermon

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Unison Discipline of Confession

Creator of the universe, we imagine that we are in familiar territory, that we know what to expect of this hour, that we will leave much the way that we came. Do not abandon us to our foolishness. In judgment, illumine our darkness. In mercy, bear us home—until we recognize your presence where evil is confronted, truth is spoken, and life is restored.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

But this we call to mind, and therefore have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, God's mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning. In the name of the Lord, who is our portion and our hope, I declare that our sin is forgiven. May our mouths be open with praise.

Morning Prayer and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer Response

"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

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RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Moment for Mission

Christine Lafferty

AMOS Missionary to Nicaragua

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"

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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

(Those wishing to attend Children's Church may leave now)

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

Old Testament Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

Genesis 6:5-8 & 17-22; 8:6-14

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant

"A Covenant Begins"

* Hymn of Invitation, (CONGR 625)

"Standing on the Promises"

PROMISES

** In-person worshippers are invited to stand as able*

Life of the Church

Benediction

Postlude

“ The God of Abraham Praise”

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TODAY IN WORSHIP

Liturgist: Laura McCorkill

Cantor & Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson

Organist & Chancel Choir Accompanist: Evelyn Falen

Livestream Video Crew: Jim Lord, Joanna Gillette Sound: Shane Schenkel

YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Kylee Johnston

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: First Presbyterian Church

American Baptist Churches, USA; Region Interim Min. Rev. Dr. Marvin A. McMickle, serving churches in NE Ohio

International Ministries Missionary: David Sagar, serving in India

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