MORNING WORSHIP JUNE 21st

Louis Spohr: Clarinet concerto no2 in E flat: 1 Allegro

Heikki Aaltoila: Wedding waltz of Akseli and Elina from the film Here Beneath the Northern Star

Call to Worship

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For the music of creation, for the song your Spirit sings, for your sound's divine expression, burst of joy in living things:
God, our God, the world's composer, hear us, echoes of your voice -- music is your art, your glory, let the human heart rejoice!

Psalms and symphonies exalt you, drum and trumpet, string and reed, simple melodies acclaim you, tunes that rise from deepest need, hymns of longing and belonging, carols from a cheerful throat, lilt of lullaby and love song catching heaven in a note.

All the voices of the ages in transcendent chorus meet, worship lifting up the senses, hands that praise, and dancing feet; over discord and division

music speaks your joy and peace, harmony of earth and heaven, song of God that cannot cease.

Adoration

Prayers and Lord's Prayer

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Faithful one, so unchanging,
Ageless one, you're my rock of peace.
Lord of all I depend on you,
I call out to you, again and again.
I call out to you, again and again.
You are my rock in times of trouble.
You lift me up when I fall down.
All through the storm
Your love is, the anchor,
My hope is in you alone

Reading 1 Corinthians 14:26-40

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The splendour of the King, Clothed in majesty; Let all the Earth rejoice, Let all the Earth rejoice. He wraps himself in light And darkness tries to hide, And trembles at His voice, And trembles at His voice.

How great is our God, sing with me, How great is our God, and all will see How great, how great is our God

Age to age He stands,
And time is in His hands;
Beginning and the end,
Beginning and the end
The Godhead Three in One,
Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb,
The Lion and the Lamb.

Name above all names, Worthy of all praise; My heart will sing: How great is our God. Name above all names, Worthy of all praise; My heart will sing; How great is our God.

Sermon: Rethinking worship

Baptize us with your Spirit, majestic, humble Christ, to overcome temptation; assailed, but not enticed. Baptize us with your Spirit, that in each other's eyes we may discern your purpose, and cast away disguise.

Baptize us with your Spirit to careful, patient, thought, and habit-forming virtues aspired to, copied, taught, till clothed with new creation, self-critical, reformed, we demonstrate the gospel, to you alone conformed.

Baptize us with your Spirit in unrestricted ways that move us, mind and body, to laugh and shout your praise. Send us to clear the rubble of each defensive wall, inviting to your table our neighbours, one and all.

Prayers of Intercession and Offertory

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die - I scarce can take it in that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin:

When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation and take me home - what joy shall fill my heart; then shall I bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim: 'my God, how great thou art!'

Benediction

Arcangelo Corelli Concerto Grosso in G: 3 Vivace