

Order of worship

August 30, 2020



Welcome & Announcements

Call to worship

Things You Already Know

Opening Hymn #304:

"Jesus Loves Me"

1 Jesus loves me! This I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong.

Refrain;

Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

2 Jesus loves me! This I know,
As He loved so long ago,
Taking children on His knee,
Saying, "Let them come to Me." (Refrain)

Prayer of confession

Marked Down

Assurance of pardon

Lifted Up

Reflection on the Gift of Education

Alfred Appiah

Scripture Reading

Message

Rev. Colin Pritchard

Thanks for Gifts and Promise of Prayer

Liturgy of Blessing

Alfred Appiah

Leader: It is the start of a new academic year, and God, our Lord is the God of newness and a new beginning. Loving God, we come before you with prayers on our hearts. We offer you our lives that we may live by your will and calling for us.

Congregation Prays: *Oh Lord, we give thanks for a new year and a new beginning. We give thanks that you love and care for us.*

Leader: We pray for all children as they resume school-for their playfulness, for their curiosity, and their joyfulness. We pray as they go beyond the home's boundaries that they will find healthy and true friendship.

Congregation Prays: *Grant O God that our children and adult who minister with them might grow in your love and find their peace in you.* (cont. pg. 2)

Liturgy of Blessing (cont.)

Leader: O God, we will get overwhelmed by tests, homework, activities, and wonder how we will make it through.

Congregation Prays: *Grant us quiet confidence and calm, bear our stress with us, help us to ask for help when it gets to be too much.*

Leader: We pray for those who teach, lead, coach, and mentor us, grant them your wisdom, knowledge, understanding, and generous spirit to teach, lead, coach, and mentor us in love and honest commitment. We pray for those called to care for these students, such as; administrators, counselors, advisors, and all who play a significant role in our children's affairs and education. Inspire them with creativity and commitment. Please give them the energy to continue teaching and bringing forth the best from their students. Please help us to appreciate their efforts and to treat them with respect. Provide opportunities, O God, for their refreshment and renewal.

Congregation Prays: *Nurture all Students and leaders, O God, in communities of fellowship and protect them from isolation, loneliness, sickness, pain, anxiety, stress. Grant them your courage as they engage in critical learning and discover their purpose in such a time like this.*

Leader: We pray for all adults as they endeavor to live faithful lives in their homes and in their workplaces. We pray for all who are parents, stepparents, guardians, caregivers, and grandparents of children, youth, and young adults. Help them to find the time to sit and to listen to their young people. Give them hearts and minds filled with patience, understanding and wisdom. Enable them to share your wisdom and love, O God, in word and by example.

Congregation Prays: *We pray for all those who learn—children, youth, young adults, and adults. Keep them from being discouraged when facing the trials of the day. Instill in them a desire to grow in wisdom and understanding. Grant them the discipline of study and the ability to concentrate. We pray for all of us as learners, O God. We know that we never stop learning about your love and faithfulness. We thank you, O God, our creator, for teaching us through your word and through your son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.*

(Adapted from Book of common prayer and pcusa.org)

Closing Hymn #354:

“Guide My Feet”

Guide my feet while I run this race
Guide my feet while I run this race
Guide my feet while I run this race
For I don't want to run this race in vain!
Hold my hand...
Stand by me...
I'm Your child...

Benediction

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Virtual Worship Opportunities

Sundays, 10 am
FB Livestream Sunday Service

Wednesdays, 7 pm
FB Livestream Prayer Service

Wednesdays, 8 pm
*Devotional/Prayer Time
via ZOOM**

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Announcements

August 23, 2020



Worship Support Team Interest

We are creating a COVID Worship Support Team to enable our return to in-person services in our sanctuary.

We need lots of help to make this possible and share the work which includes:

- * Publishing the rules that will keep us safe in accordance with NYS and the CDC.
- * Training our team.
- * Preparing our sanctuary and building.
- * Managing regular cleaning in coordination with our custodian.
- * Managing pre-registration and on-site registrations.
- * Serve as ushers on a regular shared schedule.

We need your help! Please contact the church office, David Henderson or Megan Antonitto to volunteer.

Interim worship format

We are still waiting on the approval from the Village to get the construction started for our new internet provider, but anticipate it won't be much longer. As soon as we are able to switch internet providers, look forward to a much improved livestream experience! In the meantime, Pastor Colin and your session have agreed to switch our worship format to improve some of the connectivity issues we have had streaming from the sanctuary and it will look a bit different. You will still be able to watch Sunday worship live on Facebook, but it will look a little different as it will be in a ZOOM format. Please know that this is a *temporary* solution to those issues we have been experiencing.

Prayer requests

One common theme in the comments from the survey so far, is having more anonymity among the prayer requests online. During Sunday worship and Wednesday evening prayer time on Facebook live, Pastor Colin invites you to share your prayer requests. It is understood that not everyone wants to share those requests on a public forum. If you would like to keep your prayer requests private or anonymous, please message Pastor Colin directly at pastor@victorpres.org or call 585-734-7007.

Victor/Farmington Food Cupboard

Please note that the van is no longer at the church on Tuesdays because we need the van for other tasks now! We do have our deck box ready to accept donations at 6548 Anthony Drive in Victor any time or you can stop by on **Mondays and Wednesdays 9 am to 3 pm** to do a direct handoff! If you need food please know that you are welcome to come pick up food on Wednesday 2-4 pm at our drive thru distribution.

Would you be willing to share your brain? We would LOVE LOVE LOVE to hear ideas for marking Hunger Action Month in September and Hunger Action Day specifically on September 10th. We'll need to do this safely, of course, so think ingenuity and share away--we can't wait to see your ideas and we love ideas from kids too!!

