



"And they have conquered him
by the blood of the Lamb and
by the word of their testimony,
for they loved not their lives
even unto death"
— Rev. 12:11

To those joining us on line today...THANK YOU!

We are made to worship together, but we find ourselves living in a particular and unprecedented moment that has not touched American lives in generations. The good news is that while we are made to worship God together, we do not need to be in a particular place to meet with God. So I hope you have gathered together with your housemates, family, and maybe a couple others. God is present with us at all times, and He delights to meet with you today regardless of where you are or how many people you are with. We seek to offer this service as an encouragement to you amid these difficult times. We look forward to worshiping together again, breaking bread and giving hugs to one another. You are missed.

As an encouragement to others, please take a picture of your home gathering, post it to social media with the hashtag *#abbottchurchathome* and tag us on Instagram *@abbottchurchbaltimore*

NEED PRAYER? Monday through Friday, someone will be available to pray for anyone in need of prayer. The time will also be focused on praying for the ministry of our church and for God's Spirit to be at work in our midst. If you would like to be part of this new prayer ministry, please let the pastor know. Please text prayer requests to Julius (443) 722-2525 and/or George (804) 931-6323.

You can access children's bulletins at the following address:
www.childrensbulletins.com/Covid19-childrens-activites-for-churches

REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD

"Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name. I will praise you, O Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever." Psalm 86:11,12

"Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me." John 6:57

WELCOME TO ABBOTT CHURCH

PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP (read responsively)

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of Glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

Life up your heads, O gates! that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Crown Him w/th Many Crowns

**Crown him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Lord of love;
Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified:**

(continued)

No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace;
Whose pow'r a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end;
And round his pierced feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of Life
Who Triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife
For those he came to save.
His glories now we sing who died
And rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

CONFESSION OF SIN (in unison)

Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things we ask your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth.

(Please confess your sins silently to the Lord.)

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Almighty God, who does freely pardon all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. — *The Book of Common Worship*, 1946

All: **Amen**

SONG OF WORSHIP

Lord I Need You

**Lord, I come, I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
Without You I fall apart
You're the One that guides my heart**

**Lord, I need You, oh, I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You**

**Where sin runs deep Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are, Lord, I am free
Holiness is Christ in me**

**Teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus, You're my hope and stay**

**You're my one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You**

EXTENDING GOD'S WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and GREETING

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you**

SONG OF PRAYER

Before The Throne of God Above

Before Before the throne of God above
I have a strong, a perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is love
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heaven He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end of all my sin
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the Risen Lamb
My perfect spotless Righteousness
The Great Unchangeable I Am
The King of Glory and of Grace.
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased by His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

The offering is a way for members and friends of Abbott Church to support the church's mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please feel under no compulsion to give. You can mail your giving to the church or if you would like to give online, you may do so at www.abbottchurch.org/giving

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SCRIPTURE FOR THE SERMON

Luke 4:1-13

And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness 2 for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. 3 The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." 4 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" 5 And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, 6 and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. 7 If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." 8 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.'" 9 And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, 10 for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,' 11 and 'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'" 12 And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" 13 And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Benton W. Taylor, Jr.

Temptation of Jesus

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion, also called the Lord's Supper, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ to participate. If you are not a follower of Jesus or are not prepared to share in the meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the church.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

SONG OF CONSECRATION

Lord of My Life

**A sky without a North Star
A ship without an anchor
Caught up in the current
My heart is prone to wander**

**All these roads I've taken
Lead me back to nowhere
You're the destination
You're the way to get there**

You can have it all

CHORUS:

**Be the song I sing
Be my guiding light
Savior of my soul
Be the Lord of my life
Every step I take
Always by my side
I am yours, You are mine
Be the Lord of my life.**

(Continued)

Mercies never failing
Forgiveness overflowing.
Beauty You're unveiling
A love that just keeps growing.
This is all I want
I surrender all.

CHORUS

I wanna go where you go
Wanna move where you move
Wanna love who you love
Watch it break on through (3xs)

I wanna go where you go
Wanna move where you move
Watch it break on through
Break on through.

CHORUS

I am yours, You are mine
Be the Lord of my life.
I am yours, You are mine
Be the Lord of my life.

BENEDICTION

NOTES:

PRAYERS FOR REFLECTION

Prayer for those searching

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of belief

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weak and sinful, but through you I am loved and accepted. I thank you for taking my place in death, in order to offer me forgiveness and renewal. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and my Lord. Amen.

Prayer for those struggling with sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and faithfully follow you in life. Amen.

Prayer of commitment to God's people

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the steps necessary to be one with your people and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

Prayer of thanksgiving

Lord, you have put gladness in our hearts; you have satisfied our hunger with good things. In giving all, you have not withheld from us your own dear Son. How can we withhold anything from you, our Lord and our God? Renew us day by day with the gift of your Spirit, that we may give ourselves completely to your service and walk with joy in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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HE HEARS

"This is the assurance we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us." — 1 JOHN 5:14

"The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth."

— PSALM 145:18

Please pray for:

- Your church staff, officers and leaders
- Men and women of the military, police and fire departments
- Family members and friends who are not walking with Christ
- Ongoing health concerns for the following members and friends:
Larry Halterman, Milly Flynn, Gene and Diane Shaw, Phyllis Brown, Dawn Brewer, Brent Schepleng, Clint Neuder, Brenda Neuder, Robin and Toni (Billie Mitchell's granddaughters), Narouz family (especially Vicky), Don Sapp, Jackie Lubin, Lorraine Sapp, David Files
- Raj Mohan, caring for his wife with dementia; granddaughter, mental health
- Lydia Frasca, chemotherapy and radiation treatment
- Tom Lubin, caring for his wife
- Mike Brooks, son of Earl and Betty Brooks, fighting a rare cancer
- Dawn Brewer, shoulder pain, surgery May 24th
- George Lenning's daughter, Hannah, neurological issues, testing
- Anora Gousse, pneumonia, and children; recovering from coronavirus

MISSIONARIES AND MINISTRIES WHICH WE SUPPORT:

- Andy and Bev Warren with MTW in Ethiopia
- Jason and Liz Polk with MTW in Ethiopia
- Jessica Ringsmuth with MTW in Kenya
- Bert and Nancy Williams with MTW in Uganda
- Bruce and Pat with MTW in France
- Chris Garriott with RUF at the University of Maryland
- Jacob Jasin with RUF-I at Johns Hopkins University
- Mountain View Bible Camp — Abbott Center for the Arts
- Abbott Tutoring Center — We Care Ministry

Prayer requests will be removed from list after 4 weeks unless updated

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

WE NEED YOU! There are currently many areas of service and leadership that you may be able to fill. Some areas of need are immediate and can be done during this time of COVID and limited in person activities, others are more strategic and longer term. Ministries such as “We Care”, children’s ministry, social media, diaconal programs, teaching, and more all have needs.

Adult Sunday school classes are meeting together for prayer for the church body and the future of the church.

The children’s sermon will be the only focused worship time ministry for children during the service until fall. Continue to pray for this important ministry. Parents, come prepared for your children to remain with you throughout the worship service. Children’s bulletins and crayons are in the narthex.

All are invited to attend Bible study on Thursday. Mornings at 11:00 a.m. in Room 8. The study closes with a time of prayer, concluding around noon each week.

Next Sunday, June 13th, there will be a luncheon immediately following the service with the pastoral team of BALM; Craig Garriott, Stan Long, and Ben Taylor. June 1st marked the beginning of laying the groundwork, vision casting, and developing criteria that will be used to call a pastor for the next chapter in the life of our church. Please take this opportunity to meet and fellowship with Craig, Stan, and Ben, and to ask them any questions you may have.

Welcome to Abbott.

We're glad we worshiped with you today!

June 13, 2021

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ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

How may we serve you?

(please check the appropriate box)

- I am a visitor
- I would like to find out about how to become a Christian
- I am interested in membership
(Abbott schedules classes regularly)
- I would like a call from the pastor
- I would like prayer
- I would like to join a community group
- My contact information has changed

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