

Welcome to Worship with



Sunday, April 11, 2021

Prelude Jessica Bollinger

Welcome & Announcements Jessica Bollinger

Hymn **Crown Him with Many Crowns** **UMH #327, verses 1,2,4**

*Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! How the heavenly 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 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.*

*Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
those wounds yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.*

Call to Worship Landon Bollinger

Leader: God of unsearchable mystery and light,
All: your weakness is greater than our strength,
Leader: your foolishness brings all our cleverness to naught,
All: your gentleness confounds the power we would claim.
Leader: You call first to be last and last to be first,
All: servant to be leader and ruler to be underling of all.
Leader: Pour into our hearts the wisdom of your Word and Spirit,
All: that we may know your purpose and live to your glory. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith **The Apostles' Creed (UMH #881)** Landon Bollinger

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy

catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty** Jessica Bollinger
arr. by Phillip Keveren

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Scripture Reading **Mark 9:33-37** Jerrie Simonton

³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

Message **Welcoming a Child** Rev. Kathy James

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer Rev. Kathy James

Hymn **Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service** **UMH #581, v. 1, 3,4**

Lord, whose love through humble service bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken, offered mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart,
consecrating to your purpose every gift that you impart.

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to tireless striving your abundant life to share.

Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go
to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show;
hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give,
that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know, and live.

Benediction Rev. Kathy James

We are delighted to welcome Rev. Kathy James to the pulpit today. Kathy serves as the Director of Church Relations for Epworth Children's Home and has been working with our Epworth Resource Closet Team here at Northside as we dive into our new mission project together!