

had married her.”³⁴ Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; ³⁵but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.”

Sermon Rev. Sharon Carter

Responding to the Word
Affirmation of Faith
Confession of 1967, 9.16,17
We believe that God has created the world of space and time to be the sphere of his dealings with humankind. In its beauty and vastness, sublimity and awfulness, order and disorder, the world reflects to the eye of faith the majesty and mystery of its Creator. We believe that God has created us for personal relationship in which we may respond to the love of the Creator. Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage.

Offering
Prayer, Offertory Music

Notes

Response Give Thanks
Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his son; and now may the weak say I am strong, may the poor say I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Prayers of the People

Friends in Christ,
God invites us to hold the needs of our sisters and brothers as dear to us as our own needs. Loving our neighbors as ourselves, we offer our Thanksgivings and our petitions on behalf of the church and the world...
(Moment of silence)

Loving God, open our ears to hear your word, and draw us closer to you, that the whole world may be one with you as you are one with us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Going Into the World
+Hymn *Christ Beside Me (Insert)*
+Charge and Benediction
+Postlude



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November 10, 2019 +Stand as you are able
Leader reads plain type, Congregation reads bold
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Preparing Ourselves

Prelude

Welcome

Music *Amazing Grace, Shout to the Lord (Insert)*

+Call to Worship/Opening

Prayer

L: Welcome this day to a celebration of hope and abundance.

P: We have come from a busy week in which we have been pulled this way and that, with demands on our lives, our time, our energy.

L: Come and rest in the Lord who heals and restores you.

P: We need this restoration in all of our lives.

L: Pour out your needs to the Lord who will always hear and respond.

P: Lord, we praise you and seek your calming spirit in our lives.

Let us pray: Redeeming God, come and heal our lives this day. Open our hearts to receive your words of hope and joy that we may become faithful servants of yours in this world which you have loaned to us. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray together, saying: *Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.*

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Faithful God, we come before you with many issues on our hearts. We get frustrated and angry at the way things are going in the world. We want your immediate intervention; and when we don't see things happening the way we think they should be, we are quick to dismiss you and any thought of your presence. Help us stop our selfishness and our quick anger. Remind us that you will work with us and through us for peace and hope. Release us from the traps of quick

Who do you give thanks for in the because of their faith?

What does it mean to you that God is God of the living, not the dead?

tests of your faithfulness and help us see the “big picture” of your awesome love that spans all of time. Forgive us for our pettiness and our stubbornness. Bring us back to you, O Lord. Help us shout your praises and live lives of joyful service.
(moment of silence)

Words of Assurance

L: In Christ we are forgiven and made new. Thanks be to God! Amen.

P: We rejoice because we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.

Response *Come and Fill Our Hearts*
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, you alone O Lord are Holy; Come and fill our hearts with your peace, alleluia! (3x)

+Passing of the Peace

L: As God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you all.

P: And also with you.

Anthem

Hearing the Word Prayer for Illumination

Listen to the Word G2G #455

Listen to the word that God has spoken,
Listen to the One who is close at hand,
Listen to the Voice that began creation
Listen even if you don't understand.

Scripture Reading

I Thessalonians 2:13-17 ¹³But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. ¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Hymn *Fairest Lord Jesus* (Insert)

Gospel Reading **Luke 20:27-39**

²⁷Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him ²⁸and asked him a question, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; ³⁰then the second ³¹and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³²Finally the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven