# Worshiping God, Who Made Us the Body of Christ!

PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in B Major Marcel Dupré

Dennis Bergin, organ

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fullness thereof...before the Lord: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth. Psalm 96:11, 13 (KJV)

#### WELCOME

Reverend Dr. Russell St. John, Lead Pastor

**WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP** *Oh, What High and Holy Privilege* Sanctuary Choir

Oh, what high and holy priv'lege Once again to gather here In the name of our Lord Jesus As we see His Day draw near May we join in joyful rev'rence With thanksgiving, faith and love As He welcomes in His people To the throne of grace above.

Oh, what high and holy priv'lege
Voices raised in prayer and praise
Boldly bringing great petitions
Gladly singing hymns of faith
May His grace at work among us
Cleanse and heal us from our sin
That our prayers may not be hindered
And our praises honor Him.

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# \*God Calls Us to Worship Psalm 9:1-2

Reverend David Barnes, Associate Pastor

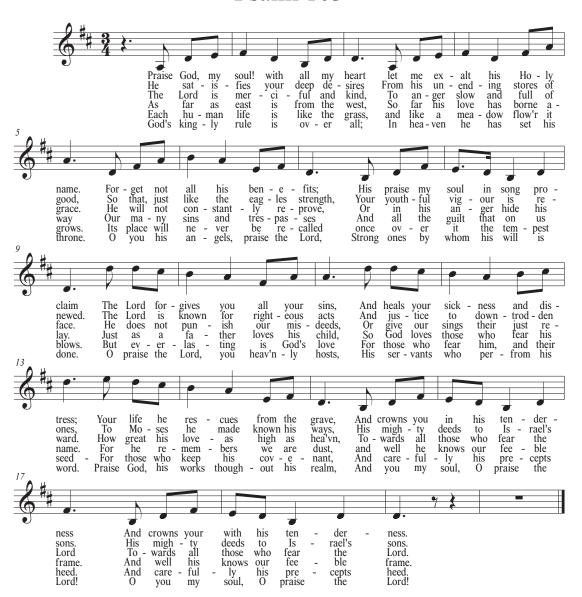
Pastor: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;

People: I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

Pastor: I will be glad and exult in you;

People: I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

# Psalm 103



#### \*WE INVOKE HIS PRESENCE

# **GOD EXPOSES OUR NEED** 1 Peter 4:8

Reverend Dr. Russell St. John

Keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins.

# WE CONFESS OUR SIN

# **CHRIST PROVIDES FOR OUR NEED** 1 Peter 5:5b

Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

\*THE GIFT OF LOVE No. 650 I Will Sing of My Redeemer

# \*Confession of Faith 1 John 4:7-11; 19-21

Pastor: Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has

been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know

God, because God is love.

People: In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his

only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to

be the propitiation for our sins.

Pastor: Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

People: We love because he first loved us. If anyone says, "I love God," and

hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his

brother.

# The Love of God



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# **WE INVOKE HIS HELP** Deuteronomy 7:9

Doug Loveall, Elder

Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.

#### GOD CALLS US TO STEWARDSHIP 1 Corinthians 4:1-2

This is how one should regard us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful.

## WE GIVE OUR GRATEFUL OFFERINGS

# **WE PREPARE FOR GOD'S WORD** Standing on the Promises Sanctuary Choir

Standing on the promises of Christ, my King! Through eternal ages let His praises ring. "Glory in the highest!" I will shout and sing, Standing on the promises of God.

## Chorus

Standing, standing on the promises of God, my Savior; Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail! When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail, By the living Word of God I shall prevail, Standing on the promises of God. *Chorus* 

Standing on the promises, I now can see Perfect, present cleansing in the blood for me; Standing in the liberty where Christ makes free, Standing on the promises of God. *Chorus* 

Standing on the promises of Christ, the Lord, Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord, Overcoming daily with the Spirit's Sword, Standing on the promises of God. *Chorus* 

Standing on the promises I cannot fall, List'ning ev'ry moment to the Spirit's call, Resting in my Savior as my all in all, Standing on the promises of God. *Chorus*  Children's Church - Pre-K, Kindergarten & 1st Grade, Room 207 Children & Teachers please come forward AFTER the Offertory. Parents, please accompany your child to register them for their first visit.

GOD PROCLAIMS HIS WORD Reverend Dr. Russell St. John, Lead Pastor

**SERMON SERIES** "1 Corinthians"

**SCRIPTURE TEXT** 1 Corinthians 12:21-26 | page 959 in the pew Bible

**SERMON TITLE** Like a Body

\*The Head and Cornerstone No. 342 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

\*Postlude Reprise: Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

<sup>\*</sup>BENEDICTION

#### SERMON NOTES

# Like a Body

Reverend Dr. Russell St. John, Lead Pastor 1 Corinthians 12:21-26 | page 959 in the pew Bible

How is a church like a body?

1. Its members form together in one

2. Its members feel together as one

<sup>\*</sup>Congregation please rise