

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Jason W. Crosby

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

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ENTRANCE INTO WORSHIP

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

PRELUDE

*Larghetto*

Harald Rohlig

INVOCATION

If spoken in a language that is unfamiliar to you, worshippers are invited to silently pray for God's presence to be felt in hearts and minds through our worship.

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Hymn for World Peace*

AURELIA

As we your people gather with wearied hearts, O Lord,  
Let prayers be now uplifted for peace to be restored.  
May healing and repentance in every land be known,  
As sword is turned to plowshare and seeds of trust are sown.

The cries of desperation, the orphan in distress,  
Instill in us a longing that words cannot express.  
Yet, as the Spirit's presence within each heart is stirred,  
We find new strength and courage in God's unfailing Word.

The prophet voices call us to seek that promised day  
When hatred and oppression at last are swept away.  
No darkness will surround us; in light we dwell secure.  
God's purpose is accomplished when peace and love endure.

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DEDICATION OF JACKSON HTOO AND JASON LUKE HTOO

INTRODUCTION OF THE FAMILY

Hser Gay Doh Htoo and Moo Nay Chris  
Jackson Htoo and Jason Luke Htoo

COVENANT OF DEDICATION

Minister, Parents and Congregation

Minister: By God's love we are given children through the miracle of birth.

**Congregation: We give God thanks.**

Minister: May we greet each new daughter and son with joy, and surround them all with faith so they may know Christ and want to be his followers.

**Congregation: Never let us neglect children, but help us to delight in them, showing them the welcome God has shown us all.**

Minister: Hser Gay Doh Htoo and Moo Nay Chris, in presenting Jackson Htoo and Jason Luke Htoo to the Lord, do you promise in dependence upon God's grace and with the help of the church to teach your sons the gifts and claims of the Christian faith, and by prayer, word and example to bring them up in the nurture, discipline and instruction of the Lord?

**Parents: We do.**

Minister: Brothers and sisters of this community of faith, I commend to you this family. Your love, care and example are as necessary to this covenant as their faithfulness in keeping their promise. As they

seek to raise their sons in the way of Jesus, will you do all in your power to make this church a true spiritual home for them, lending them the support of your prayers, your presence, your care and your love?

**Congregation: With God's help we will so seek to follow Christ ourselves that Hser Gay Doh Htoo and Moo Nay Chris shall be strengthened and confirmed in their resolve, and that their sons, surrounded by steadfast love, may be nurtured in the faith and led to walk in the way of Jesus.**

WORDS OF BLESSING

THE PRESENTATION OF BIBLE, CERTIFICATE AND BLANKET

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 15:1-10

Ed Canada

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

CHORAL REFLECTION

*In the Midst of New Dimensions*

Julian Rush

Chancel Choir; June Bailey, conductor; Louie Bailey, piano

arr. Jeremy Bankson

In the midst of new dimensions, in the face of changing ways,  
Who will lead the pilgrim peoples wand'ring in their separate ways?  
God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar,  
We your people, ours the journey now and evermore.  
Through the flood of starving people, warring factions and despair.  
Who will lift the olive branches? Who will light the flame of care?  
As we stand a world divided by our own self-seeking schemes,  
Grant that we, your global village, might envision wider dreams.  
We are man and we are woman, all persuasions, old and young,  
Each a gift in your creation, each a love song to be sung.  
Should the threats of dire predictions cause us to withdraw in pain,  
May your blazing phoenix spirit resurrect the church again.

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CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Andrea V. Woolley

\*HYMN OF ASSURANCE

*God's Great Love Is So Amazing*

CONVERSE

God's great love is so amazing! See — a shepherd with his flocks!  
Ninety-nine are safely grazing; one is lost among the rocks.  
That good shepherd goes and searches till he finds the one astray.  
So God says to fill our churches with the ones who've lost their way.  
God in love is always seeking! See — a woman with her broom!  
For a single coin she's sweeping every corner of the room.  
When it's found she calls each neighbor, telling friends from all around.  
So God says to search and labor till God's precious ones are found.  
God keeps waiting, searching, yearning! See — a father's heartfelt joy!  
Thankful for his son's returning, he runs out to greet his boy.  
To the angry older brother, hear the father's patient call.  
So God says to love each other, for in Christ, God loves us all.

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WORDS FOR THE JOURNEY

SOUGHT AFTER

Jason W. Crosby

SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Andrea V. Woolley

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass**

**against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

MUSICAL OFFERING

Karen Youth Ensemble

\*GLORIA PATRI 805

*Glory Be to the Father*

GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND COMMUNITY

We gladly welcome all who desire to unite with the community of faith at Crescent Hill Baptist Church to come forward during the Hymn of Response and share that decision with the minister.

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE 669

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

CWM RHONDDA

BENEDICTION

Jason W. Crosby

SILENCE

POSTLUDE

*God of Grace*

Paul Manz

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