



# SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

MAXWELL STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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## WELCOME

Morning Announcements—Welcome to Maxwell Street’s Virtual Worship Service. Due to the coronavirus, the state of Kentucky and the rest of the world are under “shelter in place” orders; we invite you to join us for worship on the church’s Youtube channel. Follow the link on the church website ([maxpres.org](http://maxpres.org))

GREETING— Rev. Matt Falco

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE—Light a candle at your home to prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

PRELUDE— *Balm in Gilead* — arr. Bill Ingram ; Bell Ensemble

(Larry & Debi MacQuown, Mary Iwamoto, Vange Lear, Lauren Falco)

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Exalt the Almighty and worship at God’s holy mountain,

**For the Lord our God is holy.**

Look! The Lord draws near; Come into the presence of the Holy One.

**Let us behold the glory of our God.**

**+HYMN 301 — *Let Us Build a House*** (verses 1.4 and 5)

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

**Living Lord, in you we live and move and have our being. You call us to give all that we are and all that we have in service to Christ. But we hold tightly to our treasure, afraid we will not have enough for ourselves, and hold back our talents, afraid these gifts will not be enough. God, unclench our fists, open our minds, and soften our hearts. Help us to give of ourselves fully and freely so that, in all things, we might serve and glorify you. Hear now our silent prayers of confession...**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI **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.**

## PRAYER FOR OPENNESS TO GOD’S WORD

**Spirit of the living God, speak through the language of your humble servant and whisper through the meditations of our hearts, as we experience your presence amidst our concrete realities. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE: Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the LORD, “See, you have said to me, ‘Bring up this people:’ but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” He said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” And he said to him, “if your presence

will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth." The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The LORD'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the LORD continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen." This is the written testimony to the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM** — *Ave Maria* by Theodore Dubois

**NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE:** Matthew 22:15-22

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

**SERMON**— Correct Change by Rev. Matt Falco

**+HYMN 708** — *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**STEWARDSHIP**

Call to Stewardship

The Christian life is marked by the offering of one's self to God. In worship, God present us with the costly self-offering of Jesus Christ, who has claimed us and set us free. In response to God's love in Christ we offer our lives, our gifts, our abilities, and our material goods for God's service.

*The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, The world, and those who live in it. (Psalm24:1)*

Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth.

Dedication Hymn—717 *For the Life that You Have Given*

**For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known, with these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own: here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.**

**+BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**—549 —May the Love of the Lord (sung twice)

**May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul. May God's love dwell in you, throughout every day.  
May God's countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.**

**CARES AND CONCERNS**

Terry Hainley, Denise Reynolds, Ron Baquet, Kathy Cseledy, Bob Rabel's brother, Harry & Rowena's great grandson, Ron & Georgia's great niece, Joan Colborn's great grandson

Congratulations to Adam and Kari Boldt who were married last weekend. Adam is Pam and Joe's son.

**PARTICIPANTS**

Worship Leaders: Rev. Matt Falco, Rev. Rachel VanKirk Mathews, Kaye Morgan

Choir: Ben Boutell, Olivia Hubbard Emma Scott, Parker Van Houten, Kason Spier, Beth Wilson (director)

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