Welcome to the International Protestant Church of Zurich!



January 22, 2023 11:30

Growing together and reaching out in Christ

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

During the Prelude, you are invited to meditate on the Psalm of the Day as you prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

Prelude

Symphony in B flat Major Nicolas Lebegue Ruth Pfister, Organ

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 104:31-32

May the glory of the Lord endure forever;

may the Lord rejoice in his works—

he who looks at the earth, and it trembles,

who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

Welcome and Commissioning Prayer

Rev. Dennis Wright

*Call to Worship Jenny Bärlocher

Leader: We meet in the name of God:

People: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Leader: Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening:

People: and the day is almost over.

Leader: Even the darkness is not dark for you:

People: and the night shines like the day.

Leader: Let your light scatter the darkness:

People: and fill your church with your glory.

*Hymn of Praise

#467 "How Great Thou Art"

Text: Carl Gustav Boberg; English version by Stuart K. Hine

Music: Swedish folk melody

Examination Nathan Wannemacher

Leader: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:8-9). Let us come

before our forgiving God, and confess our sins in silence.

Prayer of Confession

People: Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned

in thought, word and deed.

We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy

forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be;

that we may do justly,

love mercy,

and walk humbly with you, our God.

Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: If you, Lord, kept a record of sins,

who could stand?

But with you there is forgiveness,

so that we can, with reverence, serve you.

You have removed our sins from us, as far as the east is from the west.

Your love for us is as high as the heavens are above the earth.

With you, Lord, is unfailing love.

You have fully redeemed your children.

*Gloria Patri

#579 "Glory Be to the Father"

Text: Henry W. Greatorex; Tune: Gloria Patri

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 6:9-22 (p. 8)

Jenny Bärlocher

Meditation

"Morceau de Concours"

Gabriel Fauré

Ruth Tuura, Flute; Ruth Pfister, Piano

New Testament Readings

Hebrews 11:6-7 (p.1209) and Matthew 24:36-39 (p. 994)

Sermon

"Noah, a righteous man" Foundations Series #2

Rev. Dennis Wright

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Response

#417 "Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation"

Text: 7th century, Latin; trans. John Mason Neale

Music: Henry Thomas Smart

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Brian Sparks, Treasurer

Offertory

Andante in C Major KV 315

W.A. Mozart

Ruth Tuura, Flute; Ruth Pfister, Organ

*Doxology

#592 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Text: Thomas Ken: Music: Genevan Psalter

Prayers of the People

Brian Sparks

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 have trespassed 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.

GOING WITH GOD'S MISSION AND BLESSING

Welcoming of Guests

Brian Sparks

Announcements

*Hymn of Dedication

"Shall We Gather at the River" Text and music: Robert Lowry

*Commissioning and Benediction

Rev. Dennis Wright

Postlude

Allegro maestoso from Sonata in D Major op. 65 Nr. 5 Felix Mendelssohn Ruth Pfister, Organ

Please remain quietly seated during the postlude. For those who need to leave, please do so quietly.

^{*}Please stand if you are able.