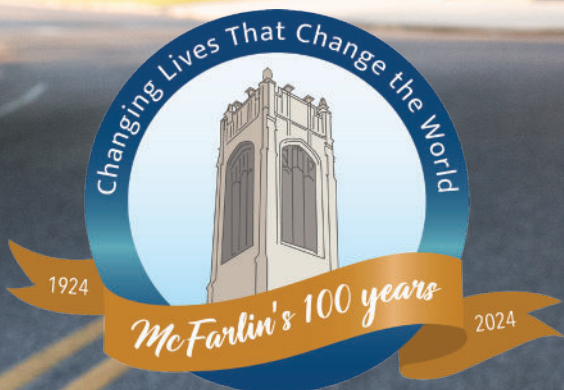


August 11, 2024

# Centennial Worship Service





## Centennial Worship Theme

*With thanksgiving we celebrate our past and embrace the future,  
confident that God who began a good work here in 1924  
will continue to complete it so that love may overflow and hope abound with joy.*

### Call to Worship

"Fanfare and Flourishes" - James Curnow

Organ & Brass

### \*Processional Hymn #711 "For All the Saints" - arr. John Ferguson



1. For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who  
2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; vine!  
3. O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
4. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through  
thee by faith be - fore in the world con - fessed, thy  
Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;  
We fee - bly strug - gle, they in the glo - ry shine; yet  
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,  
name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.  
all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:  
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

### Litany for the Centennial

Rev. Dr. Rockford Johnson & Rev. Wendi Neal

### Response #70

"Glory Be to the Father"



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be-  
gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world without end. A - men. A - men.

## Greeting & Invocation

Rev. Dr. Rockford Johnson & Rev. Dr. James Kim

## Organ Solo

"Again, I Say, Rejoice" - Brenda Portman

Dr. Stephen Wurst

The Noack pipe organ, opus 110, was installed in 1988 in the McFarlin sanctuary and was the Noack company's largest instrument at the time. The organ is a mechanical tracker organ with 50 stops, 68 ranks, and 3366 pipes. While mostly brand new, the Noack company used one rank of pipes from the former Hilgreen-Lane organ as part of the new instrument. Mary Doezema, David Craighead, and Clark Kelly all gave inaugural recitals on the Noack organ.

The organ builder Fritz Noack said these words about this instrument: "The instrument should feel at home not only accompanying choirs and congregational singing, but also performing much of the great music written for organ. The organ should have a voice that is clear but beautiful, able to convey a large range of emotions—to rejoice and to comfort, to lead and to reflect, and always to sing of love and peace."

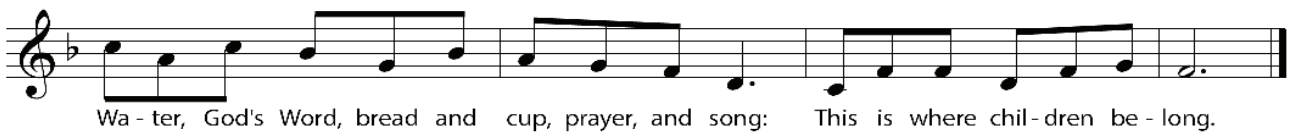
The solo organ piece played today, "Again, I Say, Rejoice" is based on the hymn tune MARION, which frequently is used with the text "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"—Hymn 160 in our hymnal. The composer, Brenda Portman, uses this tune in the pedals and lowest notes of the organ as the hands play an energetic and constantly joyful accompaniment. Along with the hymn, Portman uses a scripture passage from Phillipians 4:4 to emphasize the theme of joy: "Rejoice in the lord always; again I will say, rejoice!"

## Congregational Prayer

Rev. Wendi Neal

## Children's Message

Zach James



Children's worship for grades K-5 will dismiss following the children's message.  
Parents, please pick your children up in the 3rd floor children's area following the service.

Children's messages began in the late 1990s when Rev. Phil Fenn asked Venita MacGorman to write for and speak to children in ways they could relate to during worship. Venita's gift for teaching children led to her giving children's messages for many more years. Many others have followed as children's message leaders since. "Where Children Belong" is the song Venita chose to welcome the children to the front of the church each week.



**\*Hymn #400**

**"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**

**\*Call for the Offering**

Rev. Dr. Rockford Johnson

**Anthem**

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" - Robert Hobby

Chancel Choir & Brass

**\*Doxology #95**

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Rev. Dr. Rockford Johnson & Rev. Wendi Neal

**Invitation**

Leader: Come, all who are sinners. Come, all who are weary.

Come, all who desire a deeper relationship. Come, just as you are.

**All: You are welcome here at God's Table; no matter what you've done or left undone; what you've said or left unsaid; you are welcome to receive God's love and grace.**



## Pardon

Leader: Hear the Good News: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;  
that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.**

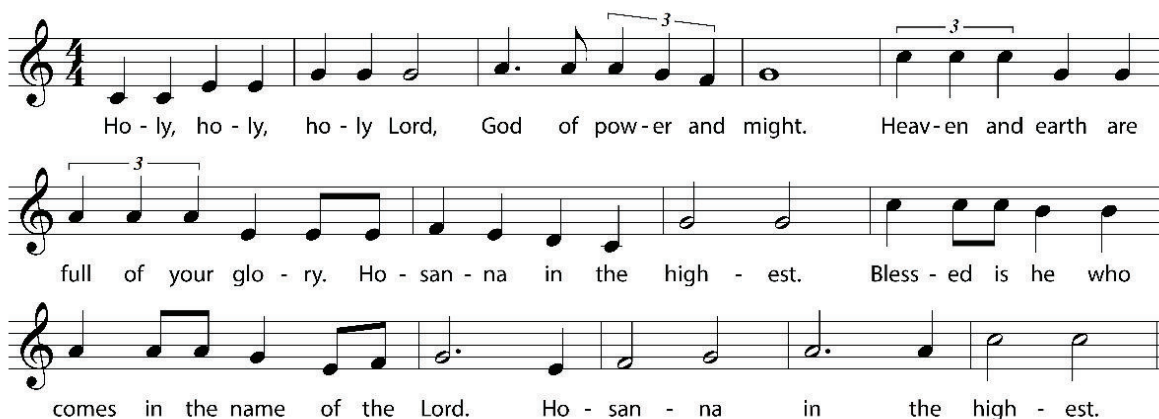
## The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: And so, we sing together



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might. Heav - en and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Leader: ... as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain!

Leader: ... all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

## 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.**

*The communion table we now use was designed by Bob Cornell and Stan Ward in 1992 and replaced the smaller, original table. Through their combined efforts and resources, this beautiful table has served as a gathering place for communion, weddings, baptisms, confirmation, funerals, and other worship services throughout many years.*





## Communion Music

### Bell Anthem

"Jubilant Praise" - Jantz Black

Carillon Bells

### Congregational Hymn Medley

"Blessed Assurance"

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

Refrain:

**This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;  
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.**

**Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. (Refrain)**

"Old Rugged Cross"

**On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame;  
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.**

Refrain:

**So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.**

**To that old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear;  
then he'll call me some day to my home far away, where his glory forever I'll share. (Refrain)**

"Rock of Ages"

**Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee; let the water and the blood,  
from thy wounded side which flowed, be of sin the double cure; save from wrath and make me pure.**

**Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands; could my zeal no respite know,  
could my tears forever flow, all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.**

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**

"Be Thou My Vision"

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

Refrain:

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!** (Refrain)

**Scripture Reading**

Philippians 1:3-11

Scott Meier

**Sermon**

Partners in Hope

Rev. Dr. Carol A. Cook Moore

*Rev. Dr. Moore arrived with her family at McFarlin in 1972. She became active in youth ministries and was encouraged by McFarlin leaders to be ordained. She earned a bachelor's degree from Oklahoma City University in 1980, a master's degree from Saint Paul School of Theology in 1984, and a PhD degree from Drew Theological Seminary in 2009. She led campus ministry at the Oklahoma Northeastern State University Wesley Foundation, served four churches and as a district superintendent in Oklahoma, and taught worship and preaching at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C.*

**Centennial Anthem**

"A Hymn of Praise" - Craig Phillips

***For the 100th Year Anniversary of McFarlin Memorial United Methodist Church (1924-2024)***

*Made possible in part by generous donations:*

- *by the family of Tommy Karns for his constant appreciation of great worship music*
- *by the family of Robert and Phyllis St. John, part of the "greatest generation" who nurtured McFarlin Memorial UMC from a building too large for its congregation to the vibrant home of believers "Changing Lives That Change the World."*

*O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace! My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.*

*Ever confident in the faithfulness of God, we are companions of the one who abounds with hope, who soars with love across all boundaries.*

*Filled with joy and peace and overflowing with thanks for God's work in God's good church, we sing in praise of what God has begun, we pray for what God is completing.*

*With tender affection we hold in our hearts each other and all who have come before. Empower us, O pure, unbounded Love, in the way of Jesus Christ.*

*Finish then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be. Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee: Changed from glory into glory, till in Heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise!*

**Consecration for the Next 100 Years**

Rev. Dr. Rockford Johnson





**\*Hymn #89**

**"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" - arr. John Ferguson**

1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;  
 2. All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,  
 3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, e - ver bless - ing, e - ver blest,  
 4. Mor - tals, join the might - y cho - rus which the morn - ing stars be - gan;

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, open - ing to the sun a - bove.  
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean depth of hap - py rest!  
 love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us, bind - ing all with - in its span.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way.  
 Field and fo - rest, vale and moun - tain, flow - ery mea - dow, flash - ing sea,  
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our bro - ther, all who live in love are thine;  
 E - ver sing - ing, march we on - ward, vic - tors in the midst of strife;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day!  
 chan - ting bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.  
 teach us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.  
 joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward, in the tri - umph song of life.

**\*Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Rockford Johnson

**Postlude**

Festival Toccata – Percy Fletcher

Dr. Stephen Wurst

**Worship Leaders**

**McFarlin Pastors:** Rev. Dr. Rockford Johnson, Rev. Wendi Neal, Rev. Trey Witzel

**McFarlin Staff:** Dr. Stephen Wurst, Scott Meier, Giovanni Corrodus, Zach James

**Guest Preacher:** Rev. Dr. Carol A. Cook Moore

**Central District Superintendent:** Rev. Dr. James Kim

**Litany Participants:** Breck Turkington, the Bryan family, Libby Waldenville,  
Linda Fitter, the Jankowski family, Debbie McConnell, Jackson Hawkins,  
Madi Hawkins, Kevin Kelleher, Debbie Kelleher, Larry Anderson, Joyce Anderson

**Instrumentalists**

Richard Jobe, organ

Karl Sievers & Josh Harney, trumpet

Derek Matthesen, horn

Art Lantagne, trombone

Joshua Gaub, bass trombone

Jamie Whitmarsh, percussion

