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# THE LORD'S DAY

## May 1, 2022

## Prelude

Alyssa Koen

#### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

#### WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Dr. Chuck DeVane, Pastor

8 To you, O LORD, I cry, and to the Lord I plead for mercy: 9 "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness? 10 Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me! O LORD, be my helper!" 11 You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, 12 that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

— Psalm 30:8-12 ESV

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

*Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.* And also to you!

## **OPENING HYMN 408**

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

## SCRIPTURE READING

Andrea DeVane

5 And I said, "O LORD God of heaven, the great and awesome God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, 6 let your ear be attentive and your eyes open, to hear the prayer of your servant that I now pray before you day and night for the people of Israel your servants, confessing the sins of the people of Israel, which we have sinned against you. Even I and my father's house have sinned. 7 We have acted very corruptly against you and have not kept the commandments, the statutes, and the rules that you commanded your servant Moses. 8 Remember the word that you commanded your servant Moses, saying, 'If you are unfaithful, I will scatter you among the peoples, 9 but if you return to me and keep my commandments and do them, though your outcasts are in the uttermost parts of heaven, from there I will gather them and bring them to the place that I have chosen, to make my name dwell there.' 10 They are your servants and your people, whom you have redeemed by your great power and by your strong hand.

— Nehemiah 1:5-10, ESV

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Hymn 78

"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

## SCRIPTURE READING

Lynn Headley

II Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, 12 saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" 13 And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" 14 And the four living creatures said "Amen!" and the elders fell down and

worshiped. — *Revelation 5:11-14, ESV* 

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#### THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below, Praise Him above, you heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **PRAYER AND OFFERING**

Gary Griffin, Elder

Members are encouraged to give offerings and visitors are asked to return welcome cards at this time.

## **INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC**

Alyssa Koen

SERMON

"Growing Pains" Pastor Chuck

I Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. 2 And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. 3 Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. 4 But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." 5 And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. 6 These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them. 7 And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

— Acts 6:1-7, ESV

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### **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

New Hampshire Confession of Faith

Of the perseverance of saints, we believe that only true believers endure to the end; that true believers persevere in their faithfulness to Christ, which is the grand mark that distinguishes them from false professors; that a special Providence watches over the true believers' welfare; and, that true believers are "kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation."

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### THE LORD'S SUPPER

As our Deacons serve bread and wine, only baptized Christians in good standing with Christ and His church should partake. Prepackaged cups are available in the pews for those who prefer juice instead of wine.

## CLOSING HYMN 86

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

## BENEDICTION

Jeremy Cooley, Elder