# Harbor Church



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## ➢ November 8<sup>th</sup> of 2020, 10:00 a.m.≪

Our 256th year

#### WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020

#### WE GATHER TOGETHER

#### **Prelude Music**

#### **Opening Reflection**

"The earthly city glories in itself, the Heavenly City glories in the Lord."

"God is always trying to give good things to us, but our hands are too full to receive them."

-St. Augustine of Hippo, City of God

#### Welcome

#### Call to Worship

Leader: Yours in the kingdom, O Lord,

#### People and you are exalted as leader above all.

Leader: Riches and honor come from you,

#### People and you rule over all.

Leader: In your hand are power and might; and it is in your hand to make great

#### People: and to give strength to all.

Leader: And now, our God, we give thanks to you **People: and praise your glorious name.** 

Song "Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise"

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible, hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might; Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small; In all life Thou livest, the true life of all; We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, And wither and perish—but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight; All praise we would render; oh, help us to see 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee.

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#### GOD DRAWS US NEAR

#### **Prayer** (With One Voice)

O Sovereign Lord, You appoint rulers over us to lead and govern, and you decide when they shall rise and fall. By your strength you set the world in place, you appoint the change of the seasons, you still the roaring of the seas, and you calm the turmoil of the nations. Teach us how to give the respect and honor due to those who are in authority over us. Show us how to best trust you in the days ahead, quiet our hearts and minds and spirits. O God, we rely upon you to bring peace and unity to our land, Amen.

#### **Disciple's Moment**

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: *Psalm 33:13-22*

The Lord looks down from heaven and sees the whole human race. From his throne he observes all who live on the earth. He made their hearts, so he understands everything they do. The bestequipped army cannot save a king, nor is great strength enough to save a warrior. Don't count on your warhorse to give you victory for all its strength, it cannot save you. But the Lord watches over those who fear him, those who rely on his unfailing love. He rescues them from death and keeps them alive in times of famine. We put our hope in the Lord. He is our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. Let your unfailing love surround us, Lord, for our hope is in you alone.

#### Ministry Moment Stewardship Season

#### Song "I Will Follow"

Where you go, I'll go Where you stay, I'll stay When you move, I'll move I will follow

All your ways are good, All your ways are sure I will trust in you alone Higher than my sight, High above my life I will trust in you alone

Where you go, I'll go Where you stay, I'll stay When you move, I'll move I will follow you Who you love, I'll love How you serve I'll serve If this life I lose, I will follow you, yeah I will follow you, yeah

Light unto the world Light unto my life I will live for you alone You're the one I seek Knowing I will find All I need in you alone, in you alone

Where you go, I'll go Where you stay, I'll stay When you move, I'll move I will follow you Who you love, I'll love How you serve, I'll serve If this life I lose, I will follow you I will follow you, yeah

In you there's life everlasting In you there's freedom for my soul In you there's joy, unending joy And I will follow

Where you go, I'll go Where you stay, I'll stay When you move, I'll move I will follow Who you love, I'll love How you serve, I'll serve If this life I lose, I will follow I will follow you.

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#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: *Revelation 19:11-16*

Then I saw heaven standing open, and there was a white horse! Its rider is named Faithful and True. He administers justice and wages war righteously. His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many royal crowns. He has a name written on him that nobody knows except himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is called the Word of God. The armies of heaven, wearing fine linen, white and pure, follow him on white horses. A sharp sword comes out of his mouth to strike down the nations. He will rule them with an iron rod and tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. On his robe and his thigh he has a name written: "KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS".

#### Message: "The Right Horse"

### WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS

#### **Musical Meditation:**

How can I express my trust in God today? What can I do to promote peace and tranquility in our nation?

#### The Offering & Doxology

#### Sharing our Joys and Concerns

For Praise

- Election Results
- Another new year as a church!
- The privilege of gathering for worship in our sanctuary once more!
- Steve McQueeney Successful surgery
- God's protection of our community

#### For Passings

- Steve Draper
- Sally Stephens
- Jay Pinney

For People we Know

- Robin Lewis loss of her brother
- Martha Ball healing for her broken arm.
- Ann Henault recovering from a fall.
- Phyllis Lacoste multiple medical issues.

• Cindy Pappas's sister, Lynda – who needs a liver transplant.

For our Nation and the World

- Grace toward strangers
- Progress against systemic racism and movement towards true social equality for all.
- A cure and vaccine for Covid-19 and those sick and suffering from it.
- Those out of work or in an economic crisis.
- For strength and wisdom for our town, regional, and national leaders.
- For Upcoming Elections

#### Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

("...forgive us our sins")

#### Song: "Lead On O King Eternal"

Lead on, O King Eternal, The day of march has come; Henceforth in fields of conquest Thy tents shall be our home. Through days of preparation Thy grace has made us strong; And now, O King Eternal, We lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King Eternal, Till sin's fierce war shall cease, And holiness shall whisper The sweet amen of peace. For not with swords' loud clashing, Nor roll of stirring drums; With deeds of love and mercy The heav'nly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King Eternal, We follow, not with fears, For gladness breaks like morning Where'er Thy face appears. Thy cross is lifted o'er us, We journey in its light; The crown awaits the conquest; Lead on, O God of might. CCLI# 3325502, CCLI License # 20007620

#### Passing of the Peace & Benediction Postlude

A Special Thank You our Music Team!

#### Information & Events:

**Indoor Worship Every Sunday at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary** All Covid-19 protocols will be observed including deep cleaning of facilities, both before and after meetings. Windows will be open as much as the weather permits to allow extra ventilation. Masks and hand-sanitizer will be available. Our Leadership Team requests that everyone in attendance practice social distancing, and wear masks at all times.

**\Virtual Worship Experience** Sunday mornings at 10 am via live-stream from our Facebook page: <u>Harbor Church - Block Island, RI</u>. (also recorded for later viewing)

Weekly Fall Bible Study for Adults: New study coming soon; stay tuned for details Saturdays, 9-10:30 a.m. in the Sunroom

Home Activities for Children: For printable faith-based resources as well as online activities: <u>https://www.coloringpages.net/bible.html</u>

#### For more resources:

- Our website: <u>www.harborchurchblockisland.org</u>
- Email Pastor Peter directly at: <a href="mailto:petrospaulos@hotmail.com">petrospaulos@hotmail.com</a>
- Call Harbor Church by phone at (401) 466-5940

**Music Time with Miss Carrie:** on Tuesdays at 11 am via a live stream from the <u>Island Free Library Facebook page</u>. The fall 2020 session has begun for families with preschoolers who can enjoy this together.

#### "Senior Saints" offering by the American Baptist Churches of

**RI:** Join a Weekly Elder Care Ministries Zoom Meeting each Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. For more info on how to connect, contact Kathryn Palen at kpalen@abcori.org or 401-522-9731.

#### **Connections:**

**Devotional Thoughts** are posted on our YouTube channel, <u>*Pastor Peter Preiser*</u>

Moments of Inspiration can be enjoyed with us through Instagram @harborchurchbi

**Electronic Giving Options are now available if you wish to donate to Harbor Church.** In this time of economic uncertainty, Harbor Church is not asking anyone undergoing financial hardship to give to our church. We merely wish to facilitate donations at this time of social distancing; Accordingly, Harbor Church is now offering the following options for those who wish to support the ongoing ministries of our church:

- Online through our Website <u>www.harborchurchblockisland.org</u>
- Through mobile apps "GivePlus" at Google Playstore and Apple Store

All Charitable contributions to Harbor Church are tax-deductible. Year-end statements are sent to all donors. All transactions are securely protected and encrypted to ensure the safe handling of debit and credit card data with Vanco's PCI-DSS Compliance Management Service. For more info visit: <a href="https://www.vancopayments.com/">https://www.vancopayments.com/</a>.

#### Birthday Club News

Q Celebrating Birthday Club Members for November!QDottie FoxNov 22Bill PennNov 22

Remember this great promise: "Cast all your cares upon God, because God cares for you." [1Peter 5:7]

#### The First Baptist Church of Block Island

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