

REVELATION 7:9-17

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" 11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." 13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 15 For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. 16 They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; 17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

WEEKLY CALENDAR

All programming is virtual unless otherwise indicated

Event Time	Event Name
Sunday, 18 October 2020	
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM	8th Grade Confirmation Class
9:00 AM to 9:45 AM	Sunday Morning In-Person Worship
10:00 AM to 10:40 AM	Sunday School Zoom Grade 3 - 7
11:00 AM to 12:15 PM	Sunday Worship (Livestream)
12:30 PM to 1:20 PM	Co-Ed Bible Study
12:30 PM to 2:00 PM	High School Picnic
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM	Pioneers Zoom Games
Monday, 19 October 2020	
8:00 AM to 10:30 AM	Keep Fit 2020-21 - Monday Class
Tuesday, 20 October 2020	
12:00 PM to 1:00 PM	Brown Bag Lunch with Tom (in-person)
4:30 PM to 5:30 PM	Keep Fit 2020-21 - Tuesday Class
6:30 PM to 7:30 PM	Stewardship Committee
Wednesday, 21 October 2020	
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Communications Committee Meeting
9:30 AM to 10:30 AM	Women's Association Board Meeting
6:00 PM to 8:30 PM	JOINT CHIEF Meeting - Session, Trustees & Deacons
Thursday, 22 October 2020	
7:45 AM to 8:45 AM	Men's Bible Study
9:15 AM to 10:15 AM	Women's Bible Study
10:00 AM to 11:30 AM	Keep Fit 2020-21 - Thursday Class
5:30 PM to 6:30 PM	Brown Bag Dinner with Tom (in-person)



— THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR — Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

— ELEVEN O' CLOCK —

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE DAY

Exodus 33:12-23

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Psalms 99:1-9

Matthew 22:15-22

LIVESTREAM MINISTRY

Services are broadcast, recorded and archived each Sunday via LiveStream and are available on the Brick Church website at www.brickchurch.org.

SOCIAL MEDIA

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THE FLOWERS in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of
Liz Wijeratne, by her sister, Helen Lynch.



NEXT SUNDAY'S PREACHER will be M. Craig Barnes.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Noel Rawsthorne (1929-2019)
“Brother James’ Air”
Keith S. Tóth, *organist*

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN

Nicaea
“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”
(*See sheet music at the end of this bulletin or page 1 of E. Deane Turner’s “A legacy of Sacred Songs”*)

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal and Merciful God, You have loved us with a love beyond our understanding and You have set us on paths of righteousness. Yet we have strayed from Your way. We have ignored the power of Your transforming grace and continued to live lives of brokenness. Awaken us once more to the power of Your love to heal us. Guide us once again on a path where our thoughts, words, and deed reflect who You are. Help us to become the disciples You created us to be. Amen.

KYRIE

David N. Johnson (1922-1987)
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION AND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Revelation 7:9-17
Reader: The Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Thomas E. Evans
“The Buoyant Power of the Saints”

THE RESPONSE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth
Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO

James Leith MacBeth Bain (1860-1925)
“Brother James’ Air”
The Lord’s my Shepherd, I’ll not want. He makes me down to lie in pastures green; He leadeth me the quiet waters by. My soul He doth restore again; and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, ee’n for His own name’s sake. Yea, though I though I walk in death’s dark vale, yet will I fear no ill; for Thou art with me; and Thy rod and staff me comfort still. Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me; and in God’s house forever more my dwelling place shall be. — *from Psalm 23*
Tonna Miller-Vallés, soprano

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION, AND PETITION

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: Let us pray...

THE SENDING

HYMN

Diademata
“Crown Him with Many Crowns”
(*See sheet music at the end of this bulletin or page 32 of E. Deane Turner’s “A legacy of Sacred Songs”*)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Andrew Moore (b. 1954)
“Trumpet Voluntary”
Keith S. Tóth, *organist*

138 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

NICAEA 11.12.12.10

Reginald Heber (1783-1826)

As in *Hymns Written and Adapted*, 1827; alt.

John Bacchus Dykes, 1861

Desc. David McKinley Williams, 1948

Descant

4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore Thee,
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark-ness hide Thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;
 Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 Though the eye of sin - ful-ness Thy glo - ry may not see,
 All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
 On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 Who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 Per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATATA SMD

Matthew Bridges, 1851

George Job Elvey, 1868

1. Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
 2. Crown Him the Lord of love; Be - hold His hands and side,
 3. Crown Him the Lord of peace; Whose power a scep - ter sways
 4. Crown Him the Lord of years, The Po - ten - tate of time;

Hark, how the heaven-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own!
 Rich wounds, yet vi - si - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
 From pole to pole, that wars may cease, Ab - sorbed in prayer and praise:
 Cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, In - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
 No an - gel in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His reign shall know no end; And round His pierc - ed feet
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For Thou hast died for me;

And hail Him as thy match-less King Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 But down - ward bends his burn - ing eye At mys - ter - ies so bright.
 Fair flowers of Par - a - dise ex - tend Their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
 Thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail Through - out e - ter - ni - ty.