

# AN ORDER OF WORSHIP

*We gather to praise the God of Creation...*

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful.

**People: Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.**

Leader: For the Lord takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory.

**People: Let the faithful exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their couches.**

Leader: This is glory for all his faithful ones.

**People: Let us worship God**

+Hymn #467

**“How Great Thou Art”**

*(You are asked to meditate on the words instead of singing while the music is played)*

*...to come before God with honest humility...*

+Prayer of the Day

Holy God, our world has been wracked by violence. Things seem to be falling apart, and all we can do sometimes is focus on our own lives, our own homes, our own community, and move forward. Help us to seek You, and to turn our focus away from ourselves and to see how we can be a difference in the world. Guide us in Your ways of love, justice and mercy, so that we might live the life You have set before us. Help us to trust in You, when things are falling apart, that You will help us move on, and You will always lead us into new life. In the name of Christ our Savior we pray. Amen.

+The Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you. / **And also with you.**

*...to listen for the Word of God...*

Prayer for Understanding

Lessons from the Scriptures

*Romans 13:8–14*

*Love is the fulfillment of the law.*

Musical Reflection

Bob Turner

Children’s Story

*Matthew 18:15–20*

*What to do when someone sins against you.*

Message

*...to respond in faith with thanksgiving...*

+Hymn #493 **“Dearest Jesus, We Are Here”**

*(You are asked to meditate on the words instead of singing while the music is played)*

Labor Day Prayer

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 today the bread for today.**

**Forgive us our sins, as we are forgiving those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil,**

**for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.**

**Amen.**

Offering Our Gifts and Our Lives to God

+A Prayer of Dedication

*...and to go out to serve in the name of Christ.*

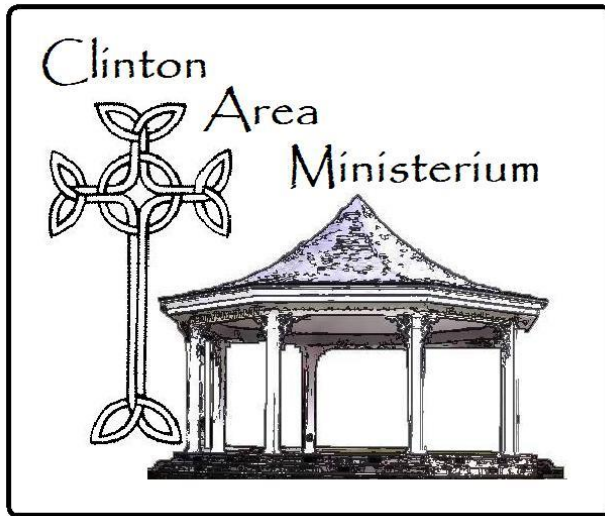
+Hymn #335

**“Though I May Speak”**

*(You are asked to meditate on the words instead of singing while the music is played)*

+Charge and Benediction

+Postlude



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## An Order of Worship for the Lord's Day

### *Clinton Community Ecumenical Labor Day Service*

**Sunday, September 6, 2020 ~ 9:30 a.m.  
 14th Sunday after Pentecost**

*The purpose of the Clinton Area Ministerium is to provide an ongoing opportunity for supportive fellowship among the clergy; to serve as a clearinghouse of information about activities in our churches; to share matters that may be of concern to other clergy/churches; to plan and carry out a number of joint ecumenical and community-oriented activities; to assess/address the needs/issues facing the community from the perspective of faith.*

### **2019-2020 Activities**

- Ecumenical Labor Day Weekend Service
- Participated in the Service of Lessons and Carols at Hamilton College
- Longest Night Service
- Lenten Study Series (truncated because of the pandemic)
- Ecumenical Good Friday Service (by Zoom)
- Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service (cancelled because of pandemic)
- Community Collection Day of collecting food for Country Pantry, ~~electronics for recycling, and trash around the village of Clinton~~

### **Upcoming Activities**

- Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing at Clinton High School, Saturday morning October 3, 2020
- Blessing of the Animals on the Village Green on St. Francis Day, Sunday afternoon October 4, 2020 (based on state guidelines)



465 How Great Thou Art

1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con-sid-er  
 2 When thro' the woods and for-est glades I wan-der and hear the  
 3 And when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing, sent him to  
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac-cla-ma-tion and take me

all the works thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y  
 birds sing sweet-ly in the trees, when I look down from loft-y moun-tain  
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my bur-den glad-ly  
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad-o-

thun-der, thy pow'r through-out the u-ni-verse dis-played.  
 gran-deur, and hear the brook and feel the gen-tle breeze.  
 bear-ing, he bled and died to take a-way my sin.  
 ra-tion, and there pro-claim, my God, how great thou art.

Refrain  
 Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee, — how great thou

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art — how great thou art! — Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to

thee: — how great thou art, — how great thou art!

493 Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

LIEBSTER JESU 7.8.7.8.8.8

Benjamin Schmolck, 1704  
 Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1858; alt. Johann Rudolph Ahle, 1664  
 Harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750); alt.

1. Dear - est Je - sus, we are here, Glad - ly Your com -  
 2. Your com - mand is clear and plain, And we would o -  
 3. This is why we come to You, In our arms this  
 4. Gra - cious Lord, Your mem - ber own; Shep - herd, take Your

mand o - bey - ing. With this child we now draw near  
 bey it du - ly: "You must all be born a - gain,  
 in - fant bear - ing; Lord, to us Your glo - ry show;  
 lamb and feed it; Prince of Peace, make here Your throne;

In re - sponse to Your own say - ing That to You it  
 Heart and life re - new - ing tru - ly, Born of wa - ter  
 Let this child, Your mer - cy shar - ing, In Your arms be  
 Way of life, to heav - en lead it; Pre - cious vine, let

shall be giv - en As a child and heir of heav - en.  
 and the Spir - it, And My king - dom thus in - her - it."  
 shield - ed ev - er, Yours on earth and Yours for - ev - er.  
 noth - ing sev - er From Your side this branch for - ev - er.

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## Though I May Speak

O WALY WALY LM

Hal Hopson, 1972

English folk melody  
Harm. John Weaver, 1988

1. Though I may speak with brav - est fire, And have the  
2. Though I may give all I pos - sess, And striv - ing  
3. Come, Spir - it, come, our hearts con - trol, Our spir - its

gift to all in - spire, And have not love, my  
so my love pro - fess, But not be given by  
long to be made whole. Let in - ward love guide

words are vain; As sound - ing brass, and hope - less gain.  
love with - in, The prof - it soon turns strange - ly thin.  
ev - ery deed; By this we wor - ship and are freed.