

Welcome in the Name of The Triune God

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Season of Pentecost



God on His Throne
in Heaven

REVELATION 4:1-11

- **Prelude by
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- **Office of the Acolyte**
- **Ringling of the Bell**

**Scripture Focus:
Revelation 4:1-11**

* **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross,
the sign marked at baptism...*

**P: We confess our sins before God and
one another.**

Pause for silence and reflection.

P: Eternal Lord,

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

C: We live in a world of anguish, and our sin only multiplies our suffering. Our despair discourages others. Our hopelessness paralyzes us from carrying out your work in the world. We pray for mercy, for strength, and for our faith to be restored, knowing that all good things come from you. Amen.

* **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: God will indeed make all things new. Our Creator knows, hears, and answers the cries of our hearts. Despair no more, for the One who comes in power also comes in love, and death has no dominion in the world to come. Receive our Lord's promise of pardon, renewal, and peace which knows no end.

C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise

How Firm
A
Foundation

LBW 507



**1 How firm a foundation,
O saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith
in his excellent word!
What more can he say
than to you he has said
who unto the Savior
for refuge have fled?**

**2 “Fear not, I am with you,
oh, be not dismayed,
for I am your God
and will still give you aid;
I’ll strengthen you, help you,
and cause you to stand,
upheld by my righteous,
omnipotent hand.**

**3 “When through fiery trials
your pathway shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient,
shall be your supply.
The flames shall not hurt you;
I only design
your dross to consume
and your gold to refine.**

**4 “Throughout all their lifetime
my people shall prove
my sov’reign, eternal,
unchangeable love;
and then, when gray hairs
shall their temples adorn,
like lambs they shall still
in my bosom be borne.”**

* **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray... Heavenly Creator, We live in a world of increasing confusion and mixed messages. Show us clearly the path that you have set, the way that leads to you alone. In Jesus' name we pray,

C: Amen



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KIDZ
KORNER



Jasper



Carnelian



Emerald

KIDZ KORNER



• Scripture Reading

**R: The Scripture reading is from
the Book of Revelation, the
4th Chapter.**

**C: Glory to you O' Lord!
*(Spoken)***

- **Revelation 4:1-11**

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, “Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.”² At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne!³ And the one seated there looks like jasper and carnelian, and around the throne is a

- **Revelation 4:1-11**

rainbow that looks like an emerald.

⁴Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. ⁵Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God;

- **Revelation 4:1-11**

⁶and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal. Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: ⁷the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle.

- **Revelation 4:1-11**

⁸And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, “Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.” ⁹And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, ¹⁰the twenty-four

- **Revelation 4:1-11**

elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives forever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

- **Revelation 4:1-11**

¹¹“You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ

(Spoken)



Sermon



Sermon

A landscape with a green field, a bright sun, and a vertical beam of light in the sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a golden glow. A vertical beam of light descends from the sky, illuminating the field. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds.

After this I looked,
and behold,

A DOOR

standing open in

HEAVEN

Sermon



Sermon





Special Music



* **APOSTLE'S CREED**

**C: I believe in God, the Father
almighty, creator of heaven and
earth.**

* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition will end with the words,

A: Gracious God,

The congregation will respond with:

C: Hear our prayer.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayer concludes...

P: By your will everything exists—ourselves included. Encourage us to trust you with our prayers, our faith, and our lives, in the name of Jesus.

C: Amen.

* SHARING OF THE PEACE

The Sharing of the Peace that began when the congregation arrived is now shared with the Pastor at this time...

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.



Offering Prayer



* **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Jesus is the tie that binds us together as one Body. So, let us pray as Jesus taught...

C: 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,

* THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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 and ever. Amen.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



* **SENDING BLESSING**

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✠ be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

* **SENDING SONG**

What A Fellowship, What A Joy Divine

ELW 774



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**1 What a fellowship,
what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness,
what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.**

What A Fellowship, What A Joy Divine

ELW 774

Refrain

Leaning, leaning,

(Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,)

safe and secure from all alarms;

leaning, leaning,

(leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,)

leaning on the everlasting arms.

What A Fellowship, What A Joy Divine

ELW 774

**2 Oh, how sweet to walk
in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
oh, how bright the path
grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms.**

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ELW 774

Refrain

Leaning, leaning,

(Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,)

safe and secure from all alarms;

leaning, leaning,

(leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,)

leaning on the everlasting arms.

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**3 What have I to dread,
what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace
with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms.**

What A Fellowship, What A Joy Divine

ELW 774

Refrain

Leaning, leaning,

(Leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,)

safe and secure from all alarms;

leaning, leaning,

(leaning on Jesus, leaning on Jesus,)

leaning on the everlasting arms.

* **DISMISSAL**

P: Until we gather again as God's people to offer our worship and praise, depart in Christ's Love,

**C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving all.
Amen!**

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