



The Lamp (Matthew 5:14-16)

January 3, 2020

Stories that Matter

Prelude

"Variations on Amazing Grace" arr. Joel Raney

II. My Fears Relieved

III. My Hope Secures

Organ

Celebration of Community

Welcome to live and online worship here at Saxe Gotha. Remember that the 8:30 Traditional service and the 11:00 AWE Contemporary service are being live streamed and are available on YouTube this morning.

-NextGen is partnering with Adult ministry to begin small groups of moms to encourage each other and grow spiritually together. To Join a Moms In Ministry group, go to saxegotha.org/news.

-The First Impressions Team is in need of Ushers and CREW members. To Volunteer, please go to saxegotha.org/news. All volunteers assist once every 6 weeks.

-To keep everyone safe at this time of worship we appreciate you all wearing masks and also for not joining in on congregational singing. We want to make sure that everyone stays safe and well.

Music of Preparation

"Blest are They" (Verses 1,3,4)

We Gather to Worship

Call to Worship

Psalm 67:1-2

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine upon us

People: that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations

Opening Hymn

#368 "He Lives" (verses 1 & 2)

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, you call us to be the salt and light of the world. We confess that we have not lived up to this high calling. Our attitudes, words and deeds often do not reflect your holiness and love. Instead, they frequently resemble those of unbelievers. Not only have we failed in our witness, but we have also failed to support our brothers and sisters abroad who are being persecuted for the gospel. Forgive us for our lack of concern to further your kingdom and for those suffering for it. Empower us by your Spirit to be your faithful witness so that every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. For we pray in his name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Ephesians 2:8-10

8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— 9 not by works, so that no one can boast. 10 For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles Creed

Gloria Patri

Children's Message(Video)

Passing of the Peace

Doxology #815

Offertory Prayer

Anthem (Video)

"Joy Medley" from Music Sunday

We Hear God's Word

Message

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We Respond to God's Word

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Invitation and Benediction

Closing Hymn

Make me a channel of Your Peace (# 753, GTG hymnal) verse 1,3,4

Postlude

"Celebration on "Warrenton" arr. Douglas E. Wagner
Organ
