**Order of Worship**

**Introit:** **“Holy Spirit Hear Us…”** [**# 152 VIP] -** *(Saxthorpe Choristers)*

**Call to Worship: - Rev’d Dr. Wayneford McFarlane**

L: Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty, who was and who is, and who is to come.

**ALL:** **Holy! Holy! Holy! Is the Lord of hosts, the whole earth is full of His glory.**

**Hymn: “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty…” [# 8 VIP]**

1. HOLY, holy, holy. Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in Three Persons, blessèd Trinity!
2. Holy, holy, holy; All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
3. Holy, holy, holy; though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.
4. Holy, holy, holy. Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name
in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in Three Persons, blessèd Trinity!

**Reginald Heber (1783—1826)**

**Prayer of Adoration - Rev’d Dr. Wayneford McFarlane**

L:Let us adore God.

**ALL:** **Sovereign God, we come to adore you with all our beings: our bodies, souls, minds and strength.
We have come for a glimpse of your kingdom of kindness--a world where love rules over all, a world where distinctions evaporate in the light of your love. A world where we are one with the triune God, Father Son and Holy Spirit.**

**We dedicate this time of worship to you great and awesome God. Lead us so we may live in union with you. Amen.**

**Prayer of Confession**: **- Rev’d Dr. Wayneford McFarlane**

L: Let us confess our sins to God and pray for forgiveness.
Merciful God, we have not loved you with all our heart, mind, soul and strength, and our worship and witness fall short of our calling as disciples.

**R: Have mercy upon us and forgive us, O Lord.**

L: Merciful God, we have not loved our neighbours as you have taught us, and our relationships have been marred by the sin of selfishness, pride and thoughtlessness.

**R: Have mercy upon us and forgive us, O Lord.**

L: Merciful God, you have provided the way of eternal life for us in Jesus Christ, yet we seek that life elsewhere. You have given us power through your Holy Spirit to have victory over all evil, yet we often fail, and are defeated in our fight against lukewarmness, sin and death.

**R: Have mercy upon us and forgive us, O Lord.**

*[The congregation shall confess in silence]*

L: Let us confess together:

**ALL:** **Be merciful to me, O God, because of your constant love,
Because of your great mercy, Wipe away all my sins, Wash away all my evil, and make me clean from sin!**

**I acknowledge my faults, and am always conscious of my sins. Create a pure heart within me, O God, and put a new and loyal spirit in me. Give me again the joy that comes from your salvation, and make me willing to obey you, for the sake of Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.**

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**Special Ministry Item: -- Bro. Gemmar McFarlane**

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

**Collect: - Rev’d Dr. Wayneford McFarlane**

L: Almighty God you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Hymn: “Come Down, O Love Divine…” [# 147 VIP]**

1. Come down, O Love divine,
Seek out this soul of mine,
And visit it with your own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.
2. O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes, in its heat consuming;
And let your glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.
3. Let holy charity
My outward vesture be,
And lowliness become my inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own short- comings weeps with loathing.
4. And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

**Bianco da Siena (d. 1434)**

**Trans.by:
Richard F. Littledale (1833-90)**

**Old Testament: - Isaiah 6:1-8 - Sis. Joelle Alfred (M.I.T.)**

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 29 (VIP 584)**

L **1**Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,
    ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**R 2Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name;
    worship the Lord in holy splendor.**

L **3**The voice of the Lord is over the waters;
    the God of glory thunders,
    the Lord, over mighty waters.

**R 4The voice of the Lord is powerful;
    the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**

L **5**The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;
    the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

**R 6He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
    and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

L **7**The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

**R 8The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
    the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

L **9**The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl,[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm%2029&version=NRSV#fen-NRSV-14318b)]
    and strips the forest bare;
    and in his temple all say, “Glory!”

**R 10The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;
    the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.**

**ALL 11May the Lord give strength to his people!
    May the Lord bless his people with peace!**

**Epistle: Romans 8:12-17 - Bro. Gemmar McFarlane**

**Gospel: John 3:1-17 - Sis. Fern McFarlane**

**Sermon – Rev’d Dr. Michael Bell**

 *(Presiding Elder, AME Zion, Wilson, North Carolina)*

**Call to Commitment**

**Hymn: “Lord, We Believe to Us and Ours …” [# 154** **VIP]**

1. Lord, we believe to us and ours
The apostolic promise given;
We wait the pentecostal powers,
The Holy Ghost sent down from heaven.
2. To every one whom God shall call
The promise is securely made;
To you far off—he calls you all;
Believe the word which Christ has said:
3. The Holy Ghost, if I depart,
The Comforter, shall surely come,
Shall make the contrite sinner's heart
His loved, his everlasting home.'
4. Assembled here with one accord,
Calmly we wait the promised grace,
The purchase of our dying Lord:
Come, Holy Ghost, and fill the place.
5. If every one that asks may find,
If you would on sinners fall,
Come as a mighty rushing wind;
Great grace be now upon us all.
6. Behold, to you our souls aspire,
And languish your descent to meet:
Kindle in each the living fire,
And fix in every heart your seat.

**Charles Wesley (1707-88)**

**Affirmation of FAITH - APOSTLES CREED – [PAGE 71 MPB]**

* **Announcements/ Offertory/ Prayer of Thanksgiving for Offering**

**MCCA Conference Hymn: “Lord We Come…” [**# **383 –VIP]**

1. Lord we come with hearts o'erflowing
On this glad, triumphant day;
Thanking you for grace bestowing
As we walked our pilgrim way.
Grant us pardon, humbly pleading,
For the sins we here confess
Give us still your Spirit’s leading
And our service richly bless.
2. Gone the days of cruel scourging,
Gone the slaver’s blood-stained chains,
Now for us the Spirit’s urging,
Now the love of Christ constrains!

Shout we then in acclamation,
Gladly now our chorus raise.
Mainland, join our jubilation,
Islands, sing in loudest praise!

1. Lord your church its task unfinished
Seeks your wisdom, grace and power,
Let us not with strength diminished
Fail you in this glorious hour
Still obedient to the vision
Of our people saved from sin
May your Church pursue its mission
Till all souls are gathered in.

***Words: Hugh B. Sherlock 1905-1998***

***Music: Doreen Potter 1925-1980***

**Prayers of Intercession:** *(Please see Insert)*

L: In our love for others and our life together:

**R: Lord, make us one in you**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Closing Hymn: “Father, Son, and Holy Ghost…” [# 307 VIP]**

1. Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
One in Three, and Three in One,
As by the celestial host,
Let thy will on earth be done;
Praise by all to thee be given,
Glorious Lord of earth and heaven.
2. If a sinner such as I
May to thy great glory live,
All my actions sanctify,
All my words and thoughts receive;
Claim me for thy service, claim
All I have and all I am.
3. Take my soul and body's powers;
Take my memory, mind, and will,
All my goods, and all my hours,

All I know, and all I feel,
All I think, or speak, or do;
Take my heart, but make it new.

1. Now, O God, thine own I am,
Now I give thee back thine own;
Freedom, friends, and health, and fame Consecrate to thee alone:
Thine I live, thrice happy I;
Happier still if thine I die.
2. Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
One in Three, and Three in One,
As by the celestial host,
Let thy will on earth be done;
Praise by all to thee be given,
Glorious Lord of earth and heaven.

***Charles Wesley (1707-1788) alt.***

**Benediction:**

L: From God the Father who first loved us, and made us accepted in the Beloved: To God the Son, who loved us, and washed us from our sins:

To God the Holy Ghost, who sheds the love f God abroad in our hearts, Be all love and glory, for time and for eternity. Amen.



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*A warm welcome to all worshippers!*