

✠ THE SERVICE ✠

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK

8:00 Mark Schoenrock
10:30 Candace Gutleben

BELL CHOIR

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

arr. Sandra Eithun

✠ GATHERING ✠

*(Arrows indicate when the congregation may sit ↓ or stand ↑ as able. **Bold print** are responses spoken by the congregation.)*

↑ CONFESSON AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Knowing that God remains faithful, even when we do not, we confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

Faithful God,

With our thoughts, words, and actions, we regularly break the covenant you have made with humankind. Redirect our hearts and minds, and forgive us of our sin, so that we might live in faithfulness to you.

The Lord our God is a faithful, loving, and forgiving God. Receive this day the entire forgiveness of all your sins and live anew in the covenant made by a faithful God, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

↑ GATHERING

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

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↑ GREETING

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

And also with you.

↑ HYMN OF PRAISE

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1. Glory be to God in heaven; peace, good-will to all the earth. Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth; we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we

raise.

2. Glory to be Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love. Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above; on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

3. Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone to you we call; Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all: Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright. For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, you call us to humble ourselves in the face of your wisdom. Open our minds that we might be enlightened beyond the limits of our own expectations, and heal us through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

↓ CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Following the Children's Message, parents of children who are six or younger are welcome to take their children to child-care and retrieve them for communion. (10:30 worship service only)

✠ WORD ✠

↑ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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***Alleluia. Lord and Savior; open now your saving word.
Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.
Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.***

↑ GOSPEL

Matthew 8:2-3

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 8th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

²And there was a leper who came to him and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, if you choose, you can make me clean." ³He stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, "I do choose. Be made clean!" Immediately his leprosy was cleansed.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

↓ PRIMARY READING

2 Kings 5:1-19

⁵Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. ²Now the Arameans on one of their

raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." ⁴So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. ⁵And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel." He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. ⁶He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." ⁷When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." ⁸But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." ¹¹But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! ¹²Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. ¹⁵Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel; please accept a present from your servant." ¹⁶But he said, "As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing!" He urged him to accept, but he refused. ¹⁷Then Naaman said, "If not, please let two mule-loads of earth be given to your servant; for your servant will no longer offer burnt-offering or sacrifice to any god except the Lord. ¹⁸But may the Lord pardon your servant on one count: when my master goes into the house of Rimmon to worship there, leaning on my arm, and I bow down in the house of Rimmon, when I do bow down in the house of Rimmon, may the Lord pardon your servant on this one count." ¹⁹He said to him, "Go in peace."

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

↓SERMON

↓HYMN

Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

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↑APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

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

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

(The congregation is encouraged to take the position which is most prayerful to you.)

Prayer Leader: God of healing,

Congregation: hear our prayer.

✠ MEAL ✠

↑SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

The congregation may greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words:

Peace be with you.

↓OFFERING

I'll Fly Away

Choir Anthem
Albert E. Bramley
arr. Craig Courtney

Starr Brown and Gunther Hoffman, pianists

In loving memory of:

David & Linda Bringman,

Linda Domholt and Ray Fitzsimons

↑PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Hymn

As the Grains of Wheat

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As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill

were gathered into one to become our bread;

*so may all your people from all the ends of earth
be gathered into one in you.*

↑OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

As Naaman presented gifts of thanksgiving to Elisha, so we too bring these signs of gratitude before you, O God. Model our lives after your generous heart and make us a blessing to your children in need. Amen.

↑GREAT THANKSGIVING

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

↑PREFACE FOR THE DAY

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

↑HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna, in the highest.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho-sanna in the high-est, ho-sanna in the high-est.

↑JESUS' WORDS OF INSTITUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

↑LORD'S PRAYER

You are invited to pray in the version or language of your choice.

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, 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.

↑ INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Lord has prepared an eternal feast for us around this table of grace. Let us rise, come forth, and join with all the saints at the banquet of our savior, who has united us for all of time.

Thanks be to God.

↓ DISTRIBUTION

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

The cup we serve is non-alcoholic. Dip the bread into the cup (intinction).

Gluten-free wafers and a gluten free common cup are offered for those who have need. Please indicate your need to the pastor as you approach to receive the host.

If you do not wish to take communion you may come forward for a blessing or remain seated.

↓ LAMB OF GOD

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O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a-way; you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a-way; eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

↓ Distribution Music

Softly and Tenderly #608

Healer of Our Every Ill #612

↑ POST COMMUNION BLESSING

↑ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Sovereign God,

in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come. Keep us faithful to you, that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

✠ **SENDING** ✠

↑ BLESSING

The love of God surround you; the grace of ✠ Christ release you; and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength, now and forevermore. **Amen.**

↑ HYMN

For All the Saints

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vs1,2,6,7**

↑DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

↓POSTLUDE

Sine nomine

arr. Charles Callahan b. 1951

Many worshippers choose to stay in the sanctuary to listen to the musical postlude (3-4 minutes).