

February 2, 2025

We embrace our call to love and serve Jesus Christ as we cultivate community and empower our neighbors.

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A Service of Divine Worship on the Lord's Day February 2, 2025

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song: My Life is in You, Lord

*The Call to Worship

Liturgist: We praise you, God, for the diversity of your body.

People: By God's Spirit, we are one.

Liturgist: From diverse backgrounds and diverse places,

People: by God's Spirit, we are one.

Liturgist: From diverse questions and diverse dreams,

People: by God's Spirit, we are one.

Liturgist: We celebrate our diversity. We celebrate our unity.

People: By God's Spirit, we are one. Hallelujah!

*Opening Hymn: Here in This Place

*A Call to Confession (Liturgist)

Because our God is merciful, we are bold to confess our sin humbly and boldly.

*Unison Prayer of Confession (prayed aloud by all)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Silent Confession

(please be seated and take a moment to reflect on the places in your heart in need of forgiveness.)

Sung Response to Confession: Open Our Eyes, Lord

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

To reach out and touch Him and say that we love Him.

Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

Declaration and Assurance of Forgiveness

Liturgist: The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Believe the good news of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: Amen.

*Passing the Peace of Christ, Sharing in Christ's Welcome

Liturgist: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And, also with you.

(Congregation shares peace with one another in the pew, over the phone, across the screen.)

Anthem

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Children's Moment

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, you have words of eternal life. Open our ears and our minds that we may hear your word and know the path to true life. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

Ephesians 2:14-18

The Message: The Beloved Community Rev. Dr. Steve Wilson

Hymn of Affirmation: Called As Partners in Christ's Service, verses 1,2,4

Offertory

Thanksgiving in Song:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him, all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen. Celebrating the Lord's Table Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in your name. Hosanna in the highest.

... as we pray the prayer Jesus taught us...

The Lord's Prayer:

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

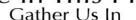
Sharing the Feast Together Prayer of Thanksgiving

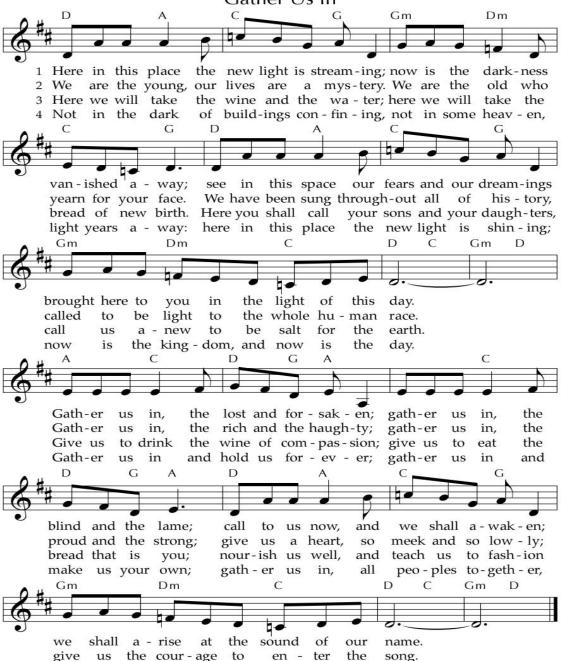
*Sending Hymn: Great is Thy Faithfulness

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

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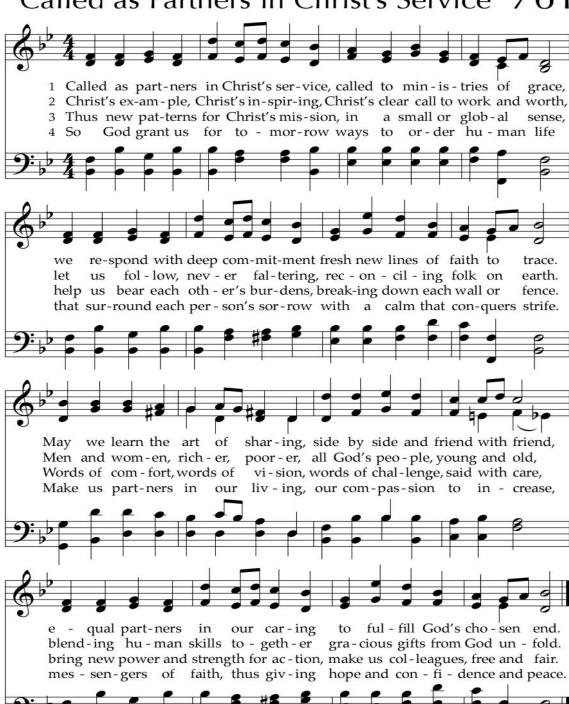
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