



Sunday, January 17, 2021

*Welcome!*

We are thankful that you are worshiping with us today! To learn more about the life of our congregation, join our email list [here](#).

Here are some helpful resources for our younger worshippers:

[This Week's Children's Bulletin](#) | [Worship Worksheet for Kids](#)

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 A.M.

### THE GATHERING

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

#### INTROIT

*Freedom*  
Nadia Wilkes

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and see the grace of God,  
**Christ our teacher and our friend.**  
Come and see the son of God,  
**Christ our healer and salvation.**  
God is moving in this place.  
**Come and see! Come and see.**

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

Merciful God, our healer and deliverer, create in us this day an awakened sense of comfort and hope that you are the saving grace in our lives. Gather our hearts together, as a beloved community, to show the love of Christ in the world around us. In the name of Jesus Christ our salvation, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

#### \*HYMN 450

*Be Thou My Vision*

SLANE

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
walking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;  
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.
  
3. Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;  
thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.
  
4. High King of Heaven, my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Leader: May God be with you in worship there.

Congregation: **May God be with you in worship there.**

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

We have all sinned, not one of us is clean; but there is mercy for those who call on the name of the Lord. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of abundant mercy, you embodied love for us in the life of Jesus Christ.  
You ate with sinners and shared with outcasts;  
You loved with boldness and healed with grace.  
Forgive us, O God, when we do not trust your love:  
when we doubt whether we are worthy of your care.  
Forgive us, O God, when we try to cheapen love: when we limit it to shallow feelings  
instead of bold actions. Help us, O God, when we cannot feel your love, when we are  
isolated, afraid, and unable to see your presence.  
Forgive us, O God, of the ways we fall short. Free us to try again,  
and let your love lead the way.**

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

Remember your baptism and be thankful!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

No matter how many times we turn from God, God never turns away from us. Because of this unconditional love, through Christ, we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since we have been reconciled to God, let us also be reconciled to one another.  
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

\*SUNG RESPONSE (741)

GUIDE MY FEET

Guide my feet while I run this race; guide my feet while I run this race;  
Guide my feet while I run this race, for I don't want to run this race in vain!

## THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, in through your word read and spoken today, we ask you to be placed into our hearts and minds as we receive your love through your message so that we may better be servants for you. In Christ's name we pray. **Amen.**

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

1 Samuel 3:11-20

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 139

John 1:43-51

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. David Madewell

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Confession of 1967 (9.31-9.32)*

**To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as God's reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God's message of reconciliation and shares God's labor of healing the enmities which separate people from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to his call.**

**The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to people commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong.**

# THE EUCHARIST

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

### MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

\*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

### THE 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...**

### 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.**

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**God our hope, we give you thanks for letting us see even more clearly a sign of your unconditional love that knows no bounds. With this sign of your sacrifice, through bread and wine, help us to emulate your sacrificial love in our lives and in our world. We give you thanks. Amen.**

## THE SENDING

\*HYMN 451

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

OPEN MY EYES

1. Open my eyes, that I may see glimpse of truth thou hast for me.  
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

2. Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear.  
And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!
  
3. Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere.  
Open my heart, and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.  
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my heart; illumine me, Spirit divine!

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*We Shall Overcome*  
Nadia Wilkes

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*\*Rise in body or spirit*

## LEADING OUR WORSHIP TODAY

PREACHING

*Rev. David Madewell*

PRESIDING AT THE TABLE

*Dennis Jewett, Director of Music*

ASSISTING

*Jeff Moles, Director of Christian Education*  
*Stephanie Dube, Director of Youth Ministries & Weekday School*

MUSICIANS

*Patrick Ritsch, Organist*