

Worship Leader Edition  
Stewardship

October 16, 2022

8:30 AM

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GATHERING

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PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *{Front Center}* (Rob)

+CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *{Front Center}* (Rob)

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L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

L: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as you love us. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen.**

+OPENING HYMN

We Give Thee but Thine Own

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**Verse 1**

We give thee but thine own,  
whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone,  
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

**Verse 2**

May we thy bounties thus  
as stewards true receive,  
and gladly, as thou blessest us,  
to thee our first-fruits give.

**Verse 3**

The captive to release,  
to God the lost to bring,  
to teach the way of life and peace--  
it is a Christlike thing.

**Verse 4**

And we believe thy word,  
though dim our faith may be:  
whate'er we do for thine, O Lord,  
We do it unto thee.

+GREETING {*Front Center*} (*Becky Olson*)

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

**C: And also with you.**

(*Assistant may be seated if not cantoring*)

+KYRIE (*cantor L: and congregation C:*)

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L: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

+HYMN OF PRAISE (*cantor and congregation*)

“This is the Feast”

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**C: Refrain:**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**1. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**Refrain**

**2. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**

**Refrain**

**3. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**Refrain**

**4. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.**

**Refrain**

+PRAYER OF THE DAY {*Front Center*} (*Becky Olson*)

L: O God, for the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Makes us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

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## WORD

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FIRST READING {*Lectern*} (*Beth Angerhofer*)

Malachi 3:6-12

For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, have not perished. Ever since the days of your ancestors you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts. But you say, “How shall we return?” Will anyone rob God? Yet you are robbing me! But you say, “How are we robbing you?” In your tithes and offerings! You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me—the whole nation of you! Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing. I will rebuke the locust for you, so that it will not destroy the produce of your soil; and your vine in the field shall not be barren, says the LORD of hosts. Then all nations will count you happy, for you will be a land of delight, says the LORD of hosts.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Alleluia”

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**C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

+THE HOLY GOSPEL *{Pulpit}*

Matthew 25:31-40

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ**

SERMON *{Pulpit}*

Pastor Rob Norris-Weber

+HYMN OF THE DAY

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

**ELW #674**

**Verse 1**

Let us talents and tongues employ,  
reaching out with a shout of *joy*:  
bread is broken, the wine is poured,  
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

**Refrain**

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

**Refrain**

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

**Verse 2**

Christ is able to make us one,  
at the table he sets the tone,  
teaching people to live to bless,  
love in word and in deed express.

**Refrain**

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

**Refrain**

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

**Verse 3**

Jesus calls us in, sends us out  
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
gives us love to tell, bread to share:  
God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere!

**Refrain**

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

**Refrain**

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

+THE APOSTLES' CREED *{Front Center}* (Becky Olson)

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**C: 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.**

+THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *{Front Center}* (Becky Olson)

*After each petition:*

L: Let us pray

**C: Have mercy, O God.**

+SHARING OF THE PEACE {*Behind the Altar*} (*Becky Olson*)

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

L: For all who are gathered, let us take a moment to welcome everyone with a wave of peace. For those of you online, please share a word of peace in the comment or chat. Most all as we go out into the world may we greet others as people of peace.

*Please share of wave of peace with one another.*

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## MEAL

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### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

+THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*Rob*)

DIALOGUE AND PREFACE (*spoken*)

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L: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L: 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 (*brief intro*)

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**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

+WORDS OF INSTITUTION (*Rob*)

+THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Rob*)

**C: 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.**

### ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE TABLE/COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION SONG

"Lamb of God"

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**C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

### TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE

L: In this time of reflection and response you are invited to fill out your welcome card. Share any reflections, questions, or prayers on the back. Also, take this time to prepare your offering. For those gathered the collection plates are in the front and back. For those online please go to our website [stlukesbloomington.org](http://stlukesbloomington.org) and there is a link to give at the bottom of every page. Enjoy this time.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

*African American Spiritual; arr. H. R. Wilson*

*St. Luke's Choir*

*W. Ehret*

*Please stand as you are able.*

+POST-COMMUNION BLESSING (*Rob*)

L: The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

+POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE “Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise”

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Thankful hearts and voices raise;	Send us with your promises
Tell everyone what God has done.	And lead your people forth in joy
Let everyone who seeks the Lord	With shouts of thanks giving.
Rejoice and bear the name of Christ.	Alleluia, alleluia.

+POST-COMMUNION PRAYER {Front Center} (Becky Olson)

L: Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

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SENDING

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+BENEDICTION {Front Center} (Rob)

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

+SENDING HYMN

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

ELW # 697

**Refrain**

Just a closer walk with thee,  
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;  
daily walking close to thee,  
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

**Verse 1**

I am weak but thou art strong;  
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I’ll be satisfied as long  
as I walk, let me walk close to thee.

**Refrain**

Just a closer walk with thee,  
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;  
daily walking close to thee,  
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

**Verse 2**

Through this world of toil and snares,  
if I falter, Lord, who cares?

+DISMISSAL {Front Center} (Becky Olson)

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

*Altar Flowers Today*  
*Given by:*

Diane LaFontaine  
In celebration of all the  
Community Life volunteers  
&  
Margaret Dahl’s Family  
In honor of her 94<sup>th</sup> Birthday