

# Worship Leader Edition Sabbath

June 11, 2023

8:30 AM

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## GATHERING

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PRELUDE

“Allegro Moderato from Trio No. 1

J. Haydn/arr. E. Monroe

Flute Trio

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

+LITANY FOR SABBATH REST: *{Front Center}* (Rob)

L: Because the daily pressure of life weighs heavy on our minds, on our bodies, and on our spirits.

**C: We need a time of Sabbath rest.**

L: Because the stresses of our culture often leave us feeling burdened and looking for hope.

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L: Because rest, fun, leisure, and naps help us cope and feel refreshed.

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L: Because we think more clearly, love more freely, and share more joyfully when we are well rested.

**C: We need a time of Sabbath rest.**

L: Giver of Life, help us recognize when we need to stop and care for ourselves. Allow us to enjoy a Sabbath as often as we need one. Allow us to rest without guilt so that we may work with more joy.

**C: We are thankful for the gift of Sabbath rest. Amen.**

+OPENING HYMN

“The Church of Christ, in Every Age”

ELW #729

**Verse 1**

The church of Christ in ev'ry age  
beset by change, but Spirit-led,  
must claim and test its heritage  
and keep on rising from the dead.

a partner in Christ's sacrifice,  
and clothed in Christ's humanity.

**Verse 4**

For he alone, whose blood was shed,  
can cure the fever in our blood,  
and teach us how to sacrifice our bread  
and feed the starving multitude.

**Verse 2**

Across the world, across the street,  
the victims of injustice cry  
for shelter and for bread to eat,  
and never live before they die.

**Verse 5**

We have no mission but to serve  
in full obedience to our Lord;  
to care for all, without reserve,  
and spread his liberating word.

**Verse 3**

Then let the servant church arise,  
a caring church that longs to be

+GREETING *{Front Center}* (Britt Halaas)

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.**

+PRAYER OF THE DAY *{Front Center}* (Britt Halaas)

L Gracious and Holy God, we make no pretense about our lives. We forget, even deny that we were created with wonder and delight in our souls. Yet, we go through life anxious and serious, seeking to get ahead, striving to make ends meet. We rush and hurry, and fill up our calendars. Where is the joy? Where are the days of rest? Where is our sense of delight? Forgive us, Lord, for failing to be the people that You created us to be, loved for who we are, just as we are. We lift our prayer in the Name of Your Precious Son, Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church*

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WORD

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FIRST READING (*Al Buss*)

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Observe the Sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Alleluia”

ELW pg. 151/*Screen*

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

*Please stand as you are able.*

+THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 11:28-30

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

Pastor Rob Norris-Weber

+HYMN OF THE DAY

“Day by Day”

ELW #790

**Verse 1**

Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me,  
bringing comfort to my anxious soul.  
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me  
draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.  
Love divine, beyond all measure,  
brings to naught the burdens of my quest;  
Savior, Lead me to the home I treasure,  
where at last I'll find eternal rest.

I will fear no evil of the morrow,  
I will trust in your enduring grace.  
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow  
till in glory I behold your face.

**Verse 3**

Oh, what joy to know that you are near me  
when my burdens grow too great to bear;  
oh, what joy to know that you will hear me  
when I come, O lord, to you in prayer.  
Day by day, no matter what betide me,  
you will hold me ever in your hand.  
Savior, with your presence here to guide me,  
I will reach at last the promised land.

**Verse 2**

Day by day, I know you will provide me  
strength to serve and wisdom to obey;  
I will seek your loving will to guide me  
o'er the paths I struggle day by day.

+THE APOSTLES' CREED {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*)

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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 {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*)

*Screen*

*After each petition:*

L: Let us pray,.

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

+THE LORD'S PRAYER {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halass*)

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**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.**

+SHARING OF THE PEACE {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*)

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.

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*) You may be seated.

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, and there is a QR code in the bulletin to give electronically. 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.

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“Andante from Trio No. 2”  
*Flute Trio*

J. Hayden/arr. E. Monroe

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SENDING

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+BENEDICTION (*Rob*)

L: May we release the control of all we carry tightly and find rest, trusting that God can work all things for good.

**C: Amen.**

+SENDING HYMN

“Take My Life, That I May Be”  
Verses 1, 2 & 5

**ELW #685**

**Verse 1**

Take my life, that I may be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days;  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

take my feet and let them be  
swift and beautiful for thee.

**Verse 5**

Take my will and make it thine  
It shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne.

**Verse 2**

Take my hands and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love;

+DISMISSAL {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*)

L: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**C: Thanks be to God**

POSTLUDE

Spiritoso from Trio No. 3  
*Flute Trio*

J. Hayden/arr. E. Monroe

**Altar Flowers Today Given by  
Judy & Dick Sandeen  
In memory of Jim Gross**