

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAYAugust 4, 202410:00 am

*please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP* (from Psalm 24)

All you with grumbling stomachs, hungry for bread, nourishment, and flourishing: **Draw near to God.**

All you with dry throats, thirsting for water, wisdom, and justice: **Draw near to God.**

All you with empty arms, searching for a warm embrace, a meaningful life, and a loving community: **Draw near to God.**

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"Together We Serve"

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

Holy One, whose love and justice condemn us, whose mercy and kindness feed us, we confess our failings and pray for your forgiveness. What terrible suffering we have unleashed. Put the Spirit of Christ within us and cause us to grow into mature, faithful disciples of the one who came from you to save us from our sin. Let us bear witness to the truth, that your love holds everything together in perfect unity. We pray in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE*

RESPONSE TO PARDON*

Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son; praise to God the Spirit: praise to the Three-in-One. Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high. Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

GOSPEL – John 6:24-35

Ruy Hummigs

OFFERING OF MUSIC *"Go Ye Into the World"* Sleeth Robin Begnoche & Marya Katz

OLD TESTAMENT – 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

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Kay Hunnings

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE (from "A Declaration of Faith")

We serve humankind by discerning what God is doing in the world and joining God in his work. We risk disagreement and error when we try to say what God is doing here and now. But we find guidance in God's deeds in the past and God's promises for the future, as they are witnessed to in scripture. We affirm that the Lord is at work, especially in events and movements that free people by the gospel and advance justice, compassion, and peace.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation Great Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.

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

... Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

... 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 of bread and cup Prayer after communion

> Gracious God, you have gathered us at this table with all your people in heaven and on earth. We have been nourished by the living bread, Jesus Christ, and we have been refreshed by the power of your Holy Spirit. May we now go out as glad disciples of our Lord, following in his way, proclaiming his truth, and living his love for the world. Amen.

HYMN* "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" 526

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

CHORAL RESPONSE*

God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again. 542