

February 6, 2022 Scout Sunday

Sending well-equipped disciples of Jesus into the world—compassionate, generous, resilient and wise

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty and eternal God, by your grace you have called us to this time and place to be your servant people as we follow our servant Lord.

Make your Holy Spirit move within and among us, that together we may live a new life in the crucified and risen Christ. Bind us together in faith, so that as we receive all spiritual gifts needed to fulfill our calling, we may support one another in common ministry; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prelude

Suite Brevis: I Dance, II. Litany, III. Rondeau David Lasky, 2012

The Welcome

Jesus Christ and our faith community welcome you to worship today.

We are a community that prays for and with one another. If you wish, we invite you to fill out a Joys & Concerns card (in the pew rack) to share your prayer request. If you are a visitor and would like us to get in touch with you, please provide your information on the back of the Joys & Concerns card. An usher will collect them later in the service.

In the service, you are invited to stand as you are able where an asterisk (*) is printed, and speak or sing in unison all passages in bold.

Let us take a few moments of silence as we prepare our hearts to worship God.

*Color Guard

*Scout Oaths

Current and past Scouts are invited to join in reciting the oaths.

Boy Scout Oath

On my honor, I will do my best

To do my duty to God and my country

and to obey the Scout Law;

To help other people at all times;

To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:

To serve God and my country, To help people at all times,

And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

Introit

Fishers of Men Becky Buller, 2003

"Rise and follow me; I'll make you worthy.
Rise and follow me, I'll make you fishers of men."

Peter, John, and James could never be the same after they heard him say, "I'll make you fishers of men."

Cast your nets aside and join the battle's tide.

He will be your guide to make you fishers of men.

Jesus bore the cross to gather in the lost.

Oh what a mighty cost to set us free from sin.

*Call to Worship

Leader: There are different gifts.

People: But it is the same Spirit who gives them.
Leader: There are different ways of serving God,
People: But it is the same Lord who is served.

Leader: God works through different people in different ways,

People: But it is the same God who achieves his purpose through them all.

Leader: Each one is given a gift by the Spirit.

People: To use it for the common good.

Leader: Together we are the body of Christ,

People: And individually members of him.

*Hymn of Praise NO. 69

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

*Call to Confession

John 3:5

TUNE: HERE I AM

We are a people born of water and the Spirit. We have made promises to be Christ's faithful disciples, and to show his love to our life's end.

Although we fail to fulfill those baptismal vows, God's faithful love endures forever.

Confident of God's grace, let us confess our sin and the sin of this world.

*Prayer of Confession

Almighty God: from the ends of the earth you have gathered us around Christ's holy table. Forgive our separate ways. Forgive everything that keeps us apart; the prides that prevent our proper reunion. O God, have mercy on your church. Renew in us true unity of purpose; that we may break bread together, and, with one voice, praise Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 8:34; 2 Corinthians 5:17

Leader: Hear the good news!

Who is in a position to condemn?

Only Christ,

and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,

Christ reigns in power for us,

Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ

is a new creation.

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven

and be at peace.

People: Amen.

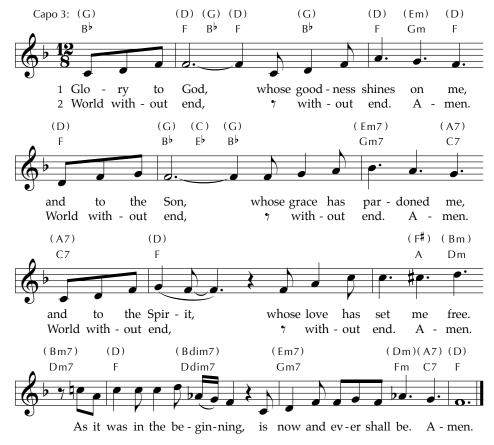
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*Sung Response NO. 582

At this time our ushers will collect your Joys & Concerns to be shared later in the service.

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

TUNE: GLORY TO GOD



TEXT: Trad. liturgical text; adapt. Paul M. Vasile, 2008 MUSIC: Paul M. Vasile, 2008 Text Adapt. and Music © 2008 Paul M. Vasile GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

A Reading from Scripture

Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"A Called Life"

Rev. Clinton G. Roberts

Offertory

The Summons

Scottish Folk Tune, arr. Sondra K. Tucker, 2004

Text: John L. Bell

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

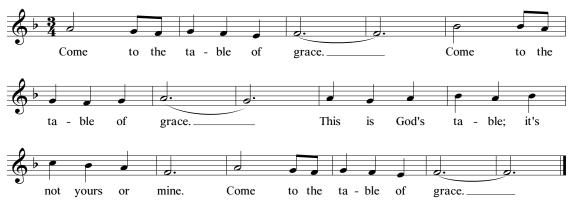
Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Sharing of our Joys and Concerns

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— The Lord's Supper —

Gathering Song



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The Invitation to the Table

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Petition, and Supplication

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.

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Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

All who trust in Jesus are invited to share in the Lord's Supper.

Please come forward, as you are able, to receive (without contact) the Bread and Cup.

After receiving the Elements, return to your seat and partake of the bread.

We will hold the cup and drink together. We are also happy to bring the elements to you.

Communion Music

Into My Heart

arr. Jack Schrader, 1985

TUNF: I'M GONNA LIVE

Prayer After Communion

Merciful God, we give thanks that you have invited us to this Table. We give thanks that you have received us as members of the body of Christ and have affirmed us as a community of faith. Lead us to live as faithful and dedicated disciples in service to all the world; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn of Sending NO. 700

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

*Retirement of the Colors

*Benediction and Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

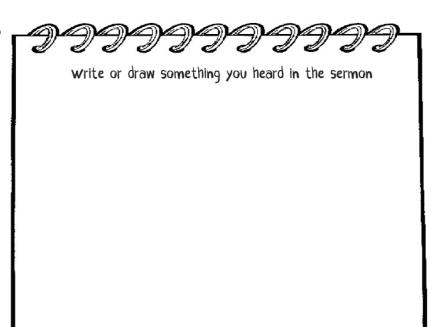
*Postlude

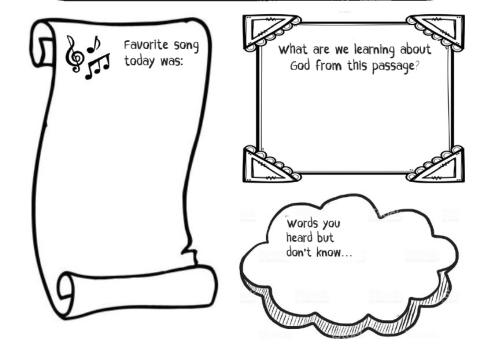
Postlude on Song 22, Op. 105, No. 2

Charles Villiers Stanford, 1852-1924

WORSHIP NOTES

As you attend worship, use this sheet to help you pay attention and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God and listening to the message.





Coming up...



Ice Skating at West Park Today, 12:00 - 2:00 PM

Join us for ice skating, fellowship, and hot cocoa! We will be at West Park between 12:00 to 2:00 PM, you can come by anytime. You don't have to be a skater to join. Bring your chair and blanket, we will bring the hot chocolate!



Annual Meeting of the Congregation Sunday, February 13, 11:30 AM

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will take place online via Zoom with the purpose of receiving the budget and electing church officers. Advance registration of participants is required so we can make sure we have the minimum number of active members. Register online at firstchurchlf.org/annual-meeting-2022 or by calling the church office.



The First Pres Food Depot is back!

Long-time Mission Partner Beacon Place is restarting their Food Distribution Program that First Pres supported through last year. In response to job loss and effects of inflation to the community, Beacon Place hopes to supplement their families' homes through their weekly food distribution program, in addition to education materials and resources. Details and list of items you can donate on the church website: firstchurchlf.org/food-depot-2022

View our Weekly Schedule of ministries, and find details and Zoom links on our church website: www.firstchurchlf.org/ministries

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This Week's Calendar

7:00 AM

TODAY	
10:00 AM	Worship, Sanctuary
10:00	Children's Faith Building, Chapel
12:00 PM	Ice Skating at West Park
4:00	Middle School Youth Group, West Park
7:00	Senior High Youth Group, West Park
MON	No Events
TUE	
1:00 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry, South Parlor Adult Bible Study, Zoom
5:00	Staff Support Team Meeting, Zoom
6:00	Lakeminster Ringers, Sanctuary
7:00	Women's Evening Bible Study, Zoom
7:30	Boy Scouts Troop 46, Fellowship Hall
WED	
10:00 AM	Wednesday Women's Bible Study, Zoom
1:00 PM	Adult Faith Formation Meeting, Zoom
4:15	Children's Carol Choir, Choir Room
4:30	Wed. Night Supper, Curbside at Food Depot
5:00	Children's Cherub Choir, Choir Room Confirmation Class, Stuart Room 214
5:30	Children's Faith Building, Room 012 Chancel Bells, Sanctuary
7:00	Taize, Chapel Explorations of Faith, Zoom
THU	
6:00 AM	Daybreakers Men's Bible Study, Zoom
7:00 PM	APNC, South Parlor Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room Children's Faith Formation Cmte, Stuart Rm 214
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Men of Corinth Bible Study, Great Room/Zoom



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Flowers in the niches are given in loving memory of Mary McMasters, Sunday School teacher for 30 years, in celebration of her birthday on February 12, 1908, from her daughter, Jean Grost.

Pastor on call Pastor Kristie 847.942.4057 Pastor Clint's day off is on Monday. Pastor Kristie's day off is on Friday.

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Serve, Learn & Connect

For our weekly ministries and Zoom links

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Share Joys & Concerns

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Home Communion

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