



### **WELCOME FAMILIES!**

We are glad that you are worshipping with your children and want you to feel welcome.

There is a “**Pray Ground**” for quiet play in the front right of the sanctuary. We ask that families stay with their little ones and try to keep noise to a minimum.

If you or your little one needs “a break” or “louder play”, there is an “**Active Worship**” room on the West side of the sanctuary. You can see and hear the service from this room.

### **GATHERING**



The Holy Spirit gathers us together during this time of worship

## **WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION**

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*Inviting All to Live the Gospel through Faith, Love, and Compassion*

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### **Welcome to Family of Christ**

You are welcome to participate in worship this morning  
the way you feel comfortable.

**All Are Welcome, No Exceptions!**

**Everybody Is Somebody Here**

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### **PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME**

### **OPENING HYMN**

**“My Life Flows On in Endless Song”**

**ELW #763**

### **CONFESSION**

Leader: Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

*Pause for Reflection*

Leader: God of Mercy,

**All: we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Leader: When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. For freedom Christ has set us free: Rejoice in this good news! Amen.

### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

**“We Are Called”**

**ELW #720**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God of Justice; **Give us courage to take our stand with all those who are oppressed. Following your servants, prophets, and our Savior help us to seek justice in ways that lift up all your children. Amen.**

All young and young at heart are invited forward during the Children's time.

### THE WORD

God speaks to us through scripture reading, preaching, and song.



## CHILDREN'S TIME

### FIRST READING:

**Hebrews 11:29-12:2**

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

**L: The Word of our Lord    C: Thanks Be to God**

### GOSPEL READING

**Luke 12:49-56**

[Jesus said:] “I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division!

From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

L: The Gospel of our Lord    **C: Thanks Be to God**

## MESSAGE

Pastor Bil Sutlief

## HYMN OF THE DAY

“Canticle of the Turning”

ELW #723

## APOSTLES CREED

**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.**

## PEACE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## NOISY OFFERING

**Foster Together/Abundant Goods**

## OFFERING

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Lord in Your Mercy

**C: Hear our prayer**

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## THE MEAL

God feeds us with the forgiveness and presence of Christ.

All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

No Exceptions!

Children are welcome to come forward and receive communion or a blessing and Goldfish Crackers.



## THE SENDING

We are blessed and sent out into the world to share God's Love with all people.



## HOLY COMMUNION

### 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 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.

### BLESSING

### PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

Lord God, you have called your servants  
to ventures of which we cannot see the ending,  
by paths as yet untrodden,  
through perils unknown.  
Give us faith to go out with good courage,  
not knowing where we go,  
but only that your hand is leading us  
and your love supporting us,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### SENDING HYMN

"Soon and Very Soon"

ELW #439

### SENDING

### POSTLUDE

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Special Thanks to Pastor Bil Sutlief  
for leading us in worship today!

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### Serving Today

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