

~Gathering the Family of God~

The Peal of the Church Bell

Prelude *Poco Allegretto* Cesar Fran

Welcome

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Call to Worship (Psalm 34:1-4, 8)

One: I will bless the Lord at all times; God's praise shall be continually in my mouth.

All: **My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.**

One: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt God's name together.

All: **I sought the Lord, and God answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.**

One: O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in God.

*Hymn *Here in This Place* #401

*Call to Confession

In the face of God's goodness we recognize our failings. Hungry for God's mercy, let us tell the truth about our lives, that we might receive grace in time of need. Let us confess our sins.

*Confession of Sin

Gracious God, you call us your own children and cover us with your love. We would seek to be merciful as you are, and to show compassion as you do, but we fail to live the life to which we have been called. Where we ought to forgive, we condemn; the evil we should shun, we embrace. Forgive our sinful ways, tame our wayward wills, and make us more like Christ, until we are raised in perfection on the last day. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

Sisters and brothers, no one who takes refuge in God will be condemned. Believe the good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri # 581

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.**

Tune: Gloria Patri, Henry W. Greatorex, 1851, Public Domain

**Life in Our Church Community
Mission Moment – Mobile Food Pantry**

Prayer for Illumination

In your Word, O God, show us heaven. By your Spirit, show us truth; through Christ, the Living Word, in whom we see your face. **Amen.**

Epistle 1 John 3:1-3 page 240

One: The Word of the Lord **All: Thanks be to God.**

Choral Anthem *Everywhere I Go* Natalie Sleeth

Maybry Shaver and Brittany Moleski (soloists)

Gospel Matthew 5:1-12 page 4

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Message *Unexpected Blessings* Rev. Ellen Gurnon

*Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into Heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen. [The Apostles Creed].

*Hymn *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!* #839

~Responding to God's Word~

Invitation to Become a Joyful Giver

With grateful hearts, let us offer our gifts, trusting in God's goodness.

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings & Friendship Pad

Please take a moment to sign your name and contact information in the pew pad.

Offertory *He Leadeth Me* Joseph Gilmore

*Doxology *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow* # 606

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Amen.***

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*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

We magnify your name, O God, and together exalt your name, for you are so good to us and gracious beyond measure. These gifts we bring are but a token of our thanks, seeds to be planted for the growing of your kingdom, in which we have sure and certain hope. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

The Lord's Supper

Invitation

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

*Closing Hymn

When the Lord Redeems the Very Least

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*Benediction

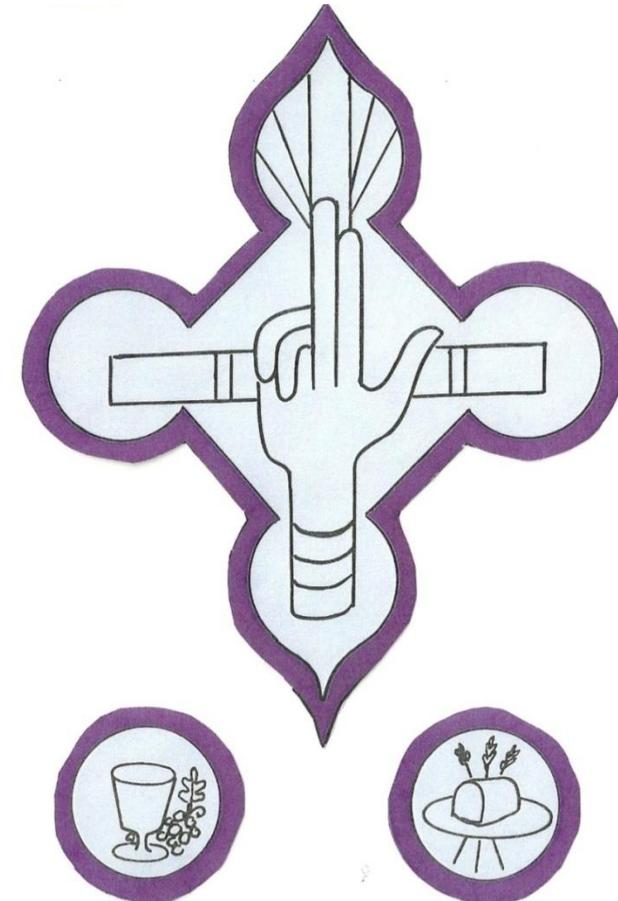
*Postlude

Meine Seele erhebt den Herren

J.G. Walther

*Please stand, if you are able.

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