

Sunday October 18<sup>th</sup>, 11 am

Gather

**Welcome**

**Song “Freely, Freely” TOS #47**

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,  
I've been born again in Jesus' name;  
and in Jesus' name I come to you  
to share His love as He told me to.  
He said, "Freely, freely you have received: Freely, freely give.  
Go in my name, and, because you believe, others will know that I live."

All pow'r is giv'n in Jesus' name,  
in earth and heav'n in Jesus' name;  
and in Jesus' name I come to you  
to share His pow'r as He told me to.  
He said, "Freely, freely you have received: Freely, freely give.  
Go in my name, and, because you believe, others will know that I live."

**Greeting**

P. God's Love, Christ's grace, and the Spirit's peace be with you.

**C. And also with you.**

**Litany**

A. Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.

**C. Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.**

A. For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.

**C. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.**

A. Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness; Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it. Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

**C. Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, for he comes, he comes to judge the earth. Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Amen**

## **Song of Praise "Sometimes Alleluia" TOS #188**

Sometimes, "Alleluia," sometimes, "Praise the Lord,"  
sometimes gently singing, our hearts in one accord.

Oh let us lift our voices, look toward the sky  
and start to sing;

Sometimes, "Alleluia," sometimes, "Praise the Lord,"  
sometimes gently singing, our hearts in one accord.

Oh let us feel His presence, let the sound of praises fill the air.

Sometimes, "Alleluia," sometimes, "Praise the Lord,"  
sometimes gently singing, our hearts in one accord.

Oh let us Joy be unconfined, Let us sing  
with freedom unrestrained;

Sometimes, "Alleluia," sometimes, "Praise the Lord,"  
sometimes gently singing, our hearts in one accord.

Oh let us spirit overflow, as we are filled  
from head to toe.

Sometimes, "Alleluia," sometimes, "Praise the Lord,"  
sometimes gently singing, our hearts in one accord.

### **Prayer of the Day**

A. Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C. Amen.**

### **Word**

#### **Readings**

##### **R. Isaiah 45:5-7**

I am the LORD, and there is no other; apart from me there is no God. I will strengthen you, though you have not acknowledged me, so that from the rising of the sun to the place of its setting people may know there is none besides me. I am the LORD, and there is no other. I form the light and create darkness, I bring prosperity and create disaster; I, the LORD, do all these things.

##### **R. 1 Thessalonians 1:2-10**

Thanksgiving for the Thessalonians' Faith

We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted

by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it, for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**C. Alleluia. Shine like stars in the world; holding fast to the word of life. Alleluia.**

### **R. Matthew 22:15-22**

Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?" But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?" "Caesar's," they replied. Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.

R. The Word of the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God.**

**Children's Message** Rev. A.N. Mary Adelsberger

**Sermon** Rev. A.N. Mary Adelsberger

**Special Music "Give Thanks"** Carol Topolski

### **Prayers of People**

A: With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. Gracious God, you call us by name and invite us to share your good news. Send your Holy Spirit among preachers, teachers, missionaries, and evangelists especially Bishop Beaudoin and staff, Bishop Eaton and staff, Memorial Church Staff, Student Katie Leslie, Intern Rebecca West-Estell, Monroe Corridor Parish, Hope Learning Academy teachers and families and all teachers and students in all schools. We give thanks for the witness of your servant Luke, the evangelist, whom the church commemorates today. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: God of praise, the heavens and all creation declare your salvation. From the rising of the sun to its setting, may the whole universe show forth your goodness. Raise up devoted stewards of all that you have made. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: God of all, may your word of justice sound forth in every place. Restore divided nations and communities with reconciling truth. Protect our military, especially Ryan Woods, Henry Kozak, Dustin Pawloski, and Reid Leslie. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: God of light, we pray for those living with pain, illness, isolation, grief, anger, or doubt especially our homebound Bob Rank, Kathy Schoembs, Sam Schlegel, Claudia Sauer, Phyllis Ballas, Joanne Hummel, Doris Buchholz (hospice care), Darlene Calcamuggio (hospice care), Pat Reiber and those in need of healing Cindy Bunch, Don & Karen Steinert, Katie Maly, Sue Herr, Walt Carlson, Sheila MacKay Davidson, Marcene Jackson, Leslie Bean, Don Gurwell, Diane Swartz, Dave Gilbert, Char Bachmayer, Diane Denhof, Fred Schaefer, Michael Curtis, Laurie Collins, all suffering with Covid 19 - especially President Trump and the First Lady. Join their voices in a new song, assuring them that you call them each by name. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: God of truth, you show no partiality. May your spirit guide the work of justices, magistrates, court officials, and all vocations of the law, that your promise of restoration may be known. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: Living God, as you raised Jesus from the dead, so raise up those who have died in you. Comfort those grieving loss, especially the families of Barbara Keller, David Smith, Braylen Noble, and Eijah Northcutt. We give thanks for their witness, confident of your rescuing welcome for all. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

### **Meal**

#### **Great Thanksgiving and Words of Institution**

P. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.**

P. Lift up your hearts. **C. We lift them to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C. It is right to give our thanks and praise**

#### **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.**

## **Prayer**

PM. We give you thanks, gracious God, that you have once again fed us with food beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ. Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of all who hunger and thirst, guided by the example of the same Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **C: Amen**

## **Sent**

**“The Generous Word”      Generosity Committee**

## **Announcements**

## **Blessing**

God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life. **C: Amen.**

## **Song “Let us Talents and Tongues Employ”**

### **ELW #674**

Let us talents and tongues employ,  
reaching out with a shout of joy:  
bread is broken, the wine is poured,  
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one,  
at the table He sets the tone,  
teaching people to live and bless,  
love in word and deed express.

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Jesus calls us in, sends us out;  
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
gives us love to tell, bread to share:  
God (Immanuel) everywhere!

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

## **Dismissal**

A: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**C: Thanks be to God.**