

POSTLUDE "They'll Know We Are Christians"
(Please remain seated until instructed to leave.)

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Let us
WORSHIP
together

*We are honored
you joined us in worship today.*
It is our pleasure to provide you
a video of the service plus the
worship materials for your use.

WITH ALL THINGS
ARE
Possible
Matt 19:26

Church Mission Statement

As followers of Jesus Christ, under the
authority of the Bible, our mission is:
~ Glorifying and worshiping God
~ Baptizing and strengthening disciples
~ Loving and serving all people



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Vibrant Worship,
Vibrant Discipleship,
Vibrant Service

October 18, 2020 ~ 10:00 a.m.

Worship Service Theme: "Love and Serve All People"
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Green: Symbolizes Growth

PRELUDE

"God Whose Giving Knows No Ending" traditional American melody

TOLLING of the BELLS

GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS and PASSING of the PEACE

GATHERING AROUND the WORD of GOD

INTROIT "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" Wesley

CALL to WORSHIP

Larry Barttelbort

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

People: I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Leader: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

People: who executes justice for the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

Leader: The Lord sets prisoners free and lifts up those who are bowed down.

People: The Lord watches over the stranger and upholds the orphan and the widow.

Leader: The Lord will reign forever. Praise the Lord! Together we worship God. Together we pray...

PRAYER OF PRAISE (Unison)

All praise to you, most holy and gracious God! You have set us free from fear and filled us with good things. You surprise us with your grace and give us all we need. Even when we lose sight of your ways, you pull us back to you and overwhelm us all over again, reminding us of your power, your compassion, and your justice. All praise to you, our triune God, now and forever. Amen.

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****HYMN OF PRAISE #464** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

****CALL TO CONFESSION**

Christ came into the world to save us from sin, once and for all. Because of his sacrifice for us, God waits in mercy to forgive. Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

****PRAYER of CONFESSION (UNISON)**

O God, you have been faithful, yet we have not loved you with our whole hearts. You showed us how to love our fellow human beings, yet we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Turn us back to you, O God, that we may follow your commandments; through Christ our Lord. (A time for silent personal confession) Amen.

****ASSURANCE of PARDON**

Beloved, the Lord is loving, merciful, and just. Therefore, we are reconciled to God and to one another that we might walk in peace and love. Believe the Good News: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

****GLORIA PATRI #579**

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.

LISTENING for the WORD of GOD

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION (UNISON) *Larry Barttelbort*

By the power of your Holy Spirit startle us with your Word, O God, and awaken us to your truth, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 146 (pg. 507)

The Word of the Lord *Larry Barttelbort*

Thanks be to God

ANTHEM “Dona Nobis Pacem” Wallace

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 12:28-34 (pg. 825)

TIME for CHILDREN *Ashley Braisted*

(Children may go upstairs for Sunday School)

INTERPRETATION of the WORD
“Loving and Serving All People” Rev. Diana Hartman

RESPONDING to the WORD of GOD

****HYMN OF RESPONSE #367** “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”

****INVITATION AND CONFESSION OF FAITH**

(From a Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE and 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.

RESPONSE “Amen” Haugen

GIVING OF OURSELVES to GOD: Our Gifts and Offerings
Our God is ever faithful and provides everything that we need. Let us praise the Lord through our giving, that our offerings may be acceptable to God. We invite you to make your offering as you depart or through the mail or church website.

OFFERTORY “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” ancient Irish melody

****DOXOLOGY #592**
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

****PRAYER of DEDICATION (UNISON)**
O God, you give us life; you are the source of every blessing. These offerings are but a token of our gratitude to you. Use them, and us, to work your will in this world you love, and let all we say and do be to your glory. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

****HYMN of SENDING #439** “In Christ There Is No East or West”

****BENEDICTION** (*Please remain seated until instructed to leave.*)

****BENEDICTION RESPONSE**
“God Be With You Till We Meet Again” Vaughan Williams