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**"Love God, Serve Neighbor"**

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# GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

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## Pastoral Welcome

### Gathering Song

ELW #532 "Gather Us In"



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness  
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who  
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the  
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings  
yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,  
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,  
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.  
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.  
call us a - new to be salt for the earth.  
now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the  
Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the  
Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the  
Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,  
bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion  
make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.  
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

## Confession and Forgiveness

L: We gather in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen**

L: Confident of God's mercy and grace, let us confess our sins to God and one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

L: God of grace and mercy,

C: **we confess that our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what we fear to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what separates us from you and one another. Set us free from a past we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more in your likeness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

L: God, who is rich in mercy, has forgiven you all your sins and filled you with the abundant life of Jesus Christ through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, be strong and courageous as you follow the way of the Lord.

C: **Amen**

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## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

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### Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

### Prayer of Illumination

L: Let us pray. Boundless God, help us to see the world differently—not with our own limited vision but with your gaze of love and justice. Give us the foolishness to believe that we can change what the world says is impossible; and when we lose sight of the power of love to change the world . . . increase our faith.

C: **Amen.**

### The First Reading

Habakkuk 1:1-4 & 2:1-4

# The Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## The Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

## Children's Church

## The Message

## Song of the Day

ELW #768 "Lead Me, Guide Me"

Refrain

Lead me, guide me, a-long the way, For if you  
lead me, I can-not stray. Lord, let me walk each  
day with thee. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.

Verses

1. I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r to  
2. Help me tread in the paths of right-eous-ness, Be my  
3. I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am  
help me o-ver my weak-est hour. Help me through the  
aid when Sa-tan and sin op-press. I am put-ting  
blind with-out thy Light to see, Lord, just al-ways

D.C.  
dark-ness thy face to see, Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.  
all my trust in thee. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.  
let me thy ser-vant be. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.

## Prayers of the Faithful

L: Let us pray. God of life, you have given us a prophetic vision and voice to speak hope to our world. Let us be those who work to embody your reign of justice and peace for the good of all creation and for the life of all people.

We pray for the country and the people of Ukraine and for all who live in places of unrest and conflict. For our brothers and sisters in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico facing massive rebuilding after Hurricane Fiona. For all communities and people impacted by Hurricane Ian.

L: God of compassion, hear us now as we pray for the cares and concerns of this congregation, for the joys and sorrows of life, and for the comfort and consolation of Christ's presence here and now.

We especially pray for:

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|-----------------------|-------------------|
| ▪ Sawyer Akers        | ▪ Jane Ogilvie    |
| ▪ Tom Bruce           | ▪ Barb Palumbo    |
| ▪ Melissa Butler      | ▪ Terry Park      |
| ▪ Helen Cheyney       | ▪ Reagan Poli     |
| ▪ Terence Connelly    | ▪ Joyce Quigley   |
| ▪ Charliese Eichler   | ▪ Kenton Rohrberg |
| ▪ Tom Hawk            | ▪ Jack Schulte    |
| ▪ Carol Hollingsworth | ▪ David Townsend  |
| ▪ Gary Homesley       | ▪ Laura Tucker    |
| ▪ Donnell Horton      | ▪ Vicki Tunnell   |
| ▪ Joe Johnson         | ▪ Josie Upton     |
| ▪ Waylon Kuklantz     | ▪ Herbert Watson  |
| ▪ Bobby Larson        | ▪ Joan Welsh      |
| ▪ Jenna Little        | ▪ Renate Wilson   |
| ▪ Chuck Mauney        | ▪ Terry Wisner    |
| ▪ Kevin Middleton     | ▪ Chuck Wolfe     |
| ▪ Andrew Milholland   |                   |

L: We now pray aloud or in the silence of our hearts for those we wish to name.

*(Time for the community to pray.)*

L: We remember and celebrate the lives of those who have died, especially:

- Connie van Brunt, frequent visitor and mother of Ayisha McMillan Cravotta, died on September 22
- Leo Peeler, charter member of Advent, died on September 25.
- Paul Short, brother of Caroline Bunn, died on September 27

- L: By your Holy Spirit, comfort their families, and all who grieve, give peace to those who mourn, strengthen all through the promise of eternal life in Jesus Christ.
- L: We offer prayers of praise and thanksgiving for miraculous progress Andrew Milholland has experienced after being electrocuted and badly burned in January 2022. Although he still faces many surgeries, Andrew has been able to return to school.
- L: As the body of Christ, we pray:
- C: Hear our prayer.**
- L: God of every time and place, you hear our prayers and renew us by your Spirit, so that we may joyfully love you and graciously serve one another. We entrust these prayers – spoken and unspoken – to you as you hold them in your heart and answer them according to your will.
- C: Amen.**

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## SHARING THE MEAL

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**Offering** (Please sign and pass the pew pads)

**Offertory Song**                      *“He Will Carry You Through”*                      Sanctuary Singers

### Table Prayer

- L: God of mercy and grace,
- C: you open your hand in blessing and your abundance flows unending. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

### The Words of Institution                      *“Come and See”*

- L: On the night that Jesus was betrayed, in an upper room. He took the bread and blessed it as he said, "Here's my body broken for you." He took the cup and raised it up on high, bowed his head and prayed. And then he said, "My blood for you is shed, a cleansing stream to wash your sin away."

## Congregational Response

1 Come and see the glo - ry of the Lord. Come, be - hold the  
 2 Come and give thanks un - to the Lord. Come, be - hold the

Lamb. Come and see the mer - cy of the King,  
 Lamb. Come and sing the prais - es of the King,

bow - ing down be - fore him. him. For he is  
 bow - ing down be - fore

Lord a - bove the heav - ens, Lord in all the earth,

Lord of all the an - gels, wor - thy to be served.

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, Lord.

## The Lord's Prayer (*sung*)

- C:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil, for the kingdom, the pow'r and the glory are yours, now and forever.

## "Lamb of God"

1 Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
 2 Lamb of God, I'm ask - ing you to  
 (3) pre - cious blood of Je - sus Christ

sin of the world. Lamb of God, you  
 take a - way my sin. I con - fess that  
 cleans - es me from sin. The pre - cious blood of

take a - way the sin of the world.  
 I've done wrong, I need your help a - gain.  
 Je - sus Christ cleans - es me from sin.

*Refrain*

Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have

mer - cy on me. Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have

*Last time to coda*  $\diamond$

mer - cy, have mer - cy on me. 3 The

*Coda*  $\diamond$

Lord, have mer - cy on me.

## The Blessing

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C: Amen.



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## SENDING GOD'S PEOPLE

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### Benediction (by Rev. William Sloane Coffin)

L: May God give you the grace never to sell yourself short;  
Grace to risk something big for something good; and  
Grace to remember the world is now  
too dangerous for anything but the truth and  
too small for anything but love.

C: Amen.

### Sending Song ELW #538 "The Lord Now Sends Us Forth"

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá  
The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,  
pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.  
to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.  
Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar  
The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain  
un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;  
to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;  
me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.  
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.  
A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.  
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.

### Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.