

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION PRAYER OF CONFESSION & PARDON

Merciful God, We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

COMMUNION LITURGY & RECEIVING OF THE ELEMENTS

*HYMN OF INVITATION

ARE YE ABLE

#530, UMH, v. 1 & 3

WORDS BY EARL MARLATT

MUSIC BY HARRY S. MASON

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1. "Are ye able," said the Master, "to be crucified with me?" "Yea," the sturdy dreamers answered, "to the death we follow thee."

Refrain: Lord, we are able. Our spirits are thine. Remold them, make us, like thee, divine. Thy guiding radiance above us shall be a beacon to God, to love, and loyalty.

3. Are ye able when the shadows close around you with the sod, to believe that spirit triumphs, to commend your soul to God? (Refrain)

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH

COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING

#158, UMH, v. 3

WORDS BY CHRISTIAN HENRY BATEMAN

MUSIC BY ARR. BY BENJAMIN CARR, HARM. BY AUSTIN C. LOVELACE

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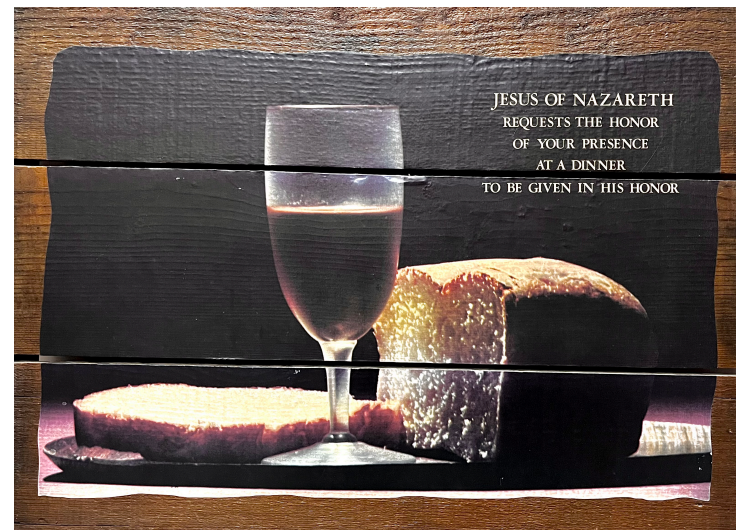
3. Praise yet the Lord again: Alleluia! Amen! Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen! On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore, singing forevermore: Alleluia! Amen!

POSTLUDE

BEHOLD, WHAT MANNER OF LOVE

PATRICIA VAN TINE

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**“Work Hard in
Body and Spirit”**
Colossians 3:23-24

September 3, 2023
Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Worship Service with Communion
Sanctuary & Online
10:00 AM



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

NURSERY IS PROVIDED (BIRTH - 4 YEARS OLD) IN THE EDUCATION BUILDING

PRELUDE *GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD*

BY JOHN STAINER; ADAPT. BY CARL DEIS

WELCOME HOME!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

IF MY PEOPLE

EDDIE SMITH

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O God, you have bound us together in this life.

Congregation: Give us grace to understand how our lives depend on the courage, the industry, the honesty and the integrity of all who labor.

Leader: May we be mindful of their needs and grateful for their faithfulness,

People: And faithful in our responsibilities to them: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING

#158, UMH, v. 1 & 2

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1. Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen! loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen! Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice; praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

2. Come, lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen! Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen! He is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend; his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Congregation: 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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER

EL SHADDAI

#123, UMH

WORDS AND MUSIC BY MICHAEL CARD AND JOHN THOMPSON

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El-Shaddai, El-Shaddai, El-Elyonna Adonai, Age to age you're still the same, By the power of the name.

El-Shaddai, El-Shaddai, Erkamkana Adonai, We will praise and lift you high,

El-Shaddai (Repeat)

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING PRAYER & RETURN OF GOD'S TITHES & GIFTS

*DOXOLOGY

PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

#94

WORDS BY THOMAS KEN

MUSIC FROM *GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESANGE*

ARR. BY RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

HYMN OF FAITH

O GOD OF EVERY NATION

#435, UMH

WORDS BY WILLIAM W. REID, JR.

MUSIC BY WELSH HYMN MELODY; HARM. BY DAVID EVANS

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1. O God of every nation, of every race and land, redeem your whole creation with your almighty hand; where hate and fear divide us, and bitter threats are hurled, in love and mercy guide us, and heal our strife-torn world.
2. From search for wealth and power and scorn of truth and right, from trust in bombs that shower destruction through the night, from pride of race and station and blindness to your way, deliver every nation, eternal God, we pray.
3. Lord, strengthen all who labor that all may find release from fear of rattling saber, from dread of war's increase; when hope and courage falter, Lord, let your voice be heard; with faith that none can alter, your servants undergird.
4. Keep bright in us the vision of days when war shall cease, when hatred and division give way to love and peace, till dawns the morning glorious when truth and justice reign, and Christ shall rule victorious o'er all the world's domain.

SCRIPTURE READING

COLOSSIANS 3:23-24

SERMON

“WORK HARD IN BODY AND SPIRIT”

REV. LARAINÉ WAUGHTAL

ANTHEM

WE'LL WORK TILL JESUS COMES

ELIZABETH MILLS / WILLIAM MILLER