



A Welcoming Christ-Centered Community

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Welcome

Gathering Song

“Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator” (ACS 1091)

Greeting

Song of Praise “The Rice of Life” (ACS 965)

Prayer of the Day

Children's Time – Pastor Lindsey Jorgensen-Skakum

First Reading

Acts 1:1--11

[Luke writes:] ¹In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.” ⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Psalm 47

¹Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with a joyful sound.

²**For the Lord Most High is to be feared:
a great king over all the earth,**

³who subdues the peoples under us,
and the nations under our feet;

⁴**who chooses our inheritance for us,
the pride of Jacob, whom God loves.**

⁵God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of the ram's horn.

⁶**Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our king, sing praises.**

⁷For God is king of all the earth; sing praises with a song.

⁸**God reigns over the nations; God is enthroned on high.**

⁹The nobles of the peoples have gathered
as the people of the God of Abraham.

The rulers of the earth belong to God, who is highly exalted.

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Gospel Acclamation – “Hallelujah” (ACS 1088)

Gospel Reading

Luke 24:44-53

⁴⁴[Jesus said to the eleven and those with them,] “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.” ⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Pastor: Rev. Trish Schmermund (she, her, hers)

Associate Pastor: Rev. Lindsey Jorgensen-Skakum (they, them, theirs)

Musician: Kathryn Elford (she, her, hers)

Council President: Michael Chell (he, him, his)

Ministers: Every Member

Video Editor/Live Streaming: Anton Chell (he, him, his)

Dialogue Sermon – Pastor Lindsey & Liz Ng

Song of the Day

“Golden Breaks the Dawn” (ELW 852)

Nicene Creed

Prayers

In our prayers: Cliff B, Cody M, Susan K, Tim, Pr. Richard R, Daryl A, Ted & Bernice Y, Dayna S, Tom d, Son & Tien N, Yvonne W, Pamela B, Pr. Rod A, Muriel B, Elaine B, Clarence M, Darlene H, Russel H Jeanette B, Kevin L, John L, Carol L, and those we hold dear in our hearts.

Sharing of the Peace

Offertory “Your Will Be Done” (ELW 741) x2

Offering Prayer

Lord’s Prayer 5a

Community Life

Blessing

Sending Song

“Let Streams of Living Justice” (ELW 710)

Dismissal

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