

# Worship Service ~ August 2, 2020 9:00

VISION: Be the body of Christ:  
welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith.  
MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

Today's Worship Broadcast sponsored by  
Jan Walker in memory of Ed Walker.

PRELUDE *Holy Manna* (ELW #461) by Dale Wood

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG **ELW #532 GATHER US IN** stz 1, 3

Here in this place the new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness vanished away;  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings  
brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,  
gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken,  
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

Here we will take the wine and the water,  
here we will take the bread of new birth,  
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,  
give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

## INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. We confess our sin.

*~Silence for reflection and self-examination~*

L: Reconciling God,

**C: we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts.**

**We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.**

**We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

L: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

**C: Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

#### PRAYER LAB MINUTE WITH DEACON NINA

SPECIAL MUSIC

*“Gran Vals”* by Francisco Tarrega;  
Anna Viegut, FMA Guitar Student

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

R: A reading from the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter of Romans.

##### **Romans 9:1-5**

<sup>1</sup>I am speaking the truth in Christ — I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit — <sup>2</sup>I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. <sup>3</sup>For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. <sup>4</sup>They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; <sup>5</sup>to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**ALLELUIA**

R: A Gospel reading from the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter of Matthew.

##### **Matthew 14:13-21**

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup>When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. <sup>15</sup>When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said,

"This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup>They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." <sup>18</sup>And he said, "Bring them here to me." <sup>19</sup>Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup>And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. <sup>21</sup>And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

**HYMN OF THE DAY    ELW #461 ALL WHO HUNGER, GATHER  
GLADLY**    stz 1,3

All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.  
Come from wilderness and wand'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.  
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together, Jesus Christ is living bread.  
Come from loneliness and longing. Here in peace we have been fed.  
Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

MESSAGE          Pastor John Klawiter

MUSICAL OFFERING "*How Great Thou Art*" arr. Stuart Hine;  
Merri Stenzel and Joy Abts, vocalists

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**L: We pray, Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**L: Lord, in your mercy.**  
**C: Hear our prayer.**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## BLESSING

L: May the LORD bless us and keep us; May the LORD's face shine upon us and be gracious unto us, May the LORD look upon us with favor, + and give us peace.

**C: Amen.**

## SENDING SONG **ELW #672 SIGNS AND WONDERS**

Signs and wonders lead the dancing from the heart  
God frees from fear: wings of angels greet the maiden,  
and God finds a dwelling here; boldly may we lift our hands,  
bow the head, and voice Amen; thus does glory shine at midnight:  
open hearts invite the starlight.

Hope and freedom join the circle: Mary to the garden came,  
saw the radiance of the marvel, heard the Risen call her name;  
boldly may we heed Christ's call, step beyond the garden wall:  
beautiful the feet proceeding with good news of death's defeating.

Cast aside all fear and hiding; hand in hand we dance the round.  
God is with us, Christ, abiding, and the Spirit's gifts abound.  
Called by God to holiness, let us boldly serve and bless;  
and to hearts that sign and hunger  
may our lives dance signs and wonders.

## DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE Variations on Freu dich sehr, o meine Seele (ELW #672) by Johann Pachelbel

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