

Sunday, October 8, 2023

Prelude

Father, I Adore You

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be God, the one who forms us, Jesus who bears the cross, and the Spirit who makes our joy complete.
Amen.

Let us humbly bow before God in confession.

Steadfast and faithful God, you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. You have made us aware of the world's suffering, yet we are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. You have made us to live in harmony with creation, but we have lost our way. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Beloved in Christ, you are already and always forgiven. God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare. God's love knows no bounds. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.

Amen.

Opening Hymn

Shall We Gather at the River

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever, flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain:

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
The beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river that
Flows by the throne of God.

On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray,
We will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. (Refrain)

Ere we reach the shining river, lay we every burden down;
Grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. (Refrain)

Invocation

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

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison means "Lord have mercy."

Refrain:

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,
Kyrie eleison, every day.

1. For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all
For this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord... *(Refrain)*
2. That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor,
That we may live out truth and justice and grace,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord... *(Refrain)*
3. For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family.
For life and for love, for our work and our play,
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord... *(Refrain)*

Prayer of the Day

Loving Lord, you gave commandments to your people as a gift to hold them together and guide their way. Teach us all to be obedient to your word, especially the confirmation students who are affirming their faith this morning. Help us to care for each other as we follow your will for our lives. **Amen.**

Reading

Deuteronomy 5 and 6

The Ten Commandments

Moses convened all Israel, and said to them: Hear, O Israel, the statutes and ordinances that I am addressing to you today; you shall learn them and observe them diligently. And he said: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day. Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God commanded you, so that your days may be long and that it may go well with you in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. You shall not murder. Neither shall you commit adultery. Neither shall you steal. Neither shall you bear false witness against your neighbor. Neither shall you covet your neighbor's wife. Neither shall you desire your neighbor's house, or field, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Message

Hymn of the Day

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

You have come down to the Lakeshore,
Seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,
But only asking for me to follow.

Chorus:

Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes,
Kindly smiling, you've called out my name.
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat,
Now with you, I will seek other seas.

You know full well what I have, Lord,
Neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,
Just these my fishnets and will for working. (*Chorus*)

You, who have fished other waters,
You, the longing of souls that are yearning,
O loving friend, you have come to call me. (*Chorus*)

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living 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 the Peace

Offering

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Offertory Response

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am

Take, oh, take me as I am, summon out what I shall be,
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Closing Prayer

Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts.
Strengthened by Christ's Spirit, send us now to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and
all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

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 trespasses as we forgive those who
trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Benediction

May Almighty God, Creator, Christ, and Comforter, keep you in God's light, God's truth, and God's love, now and forever.

Amen.

Closing Hymn

We Are Marching in the Light of God

We are marching in the light of God,
We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, marching, we are marching, marching,
We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, marching, we are marching, marching,
We are marching in the light of God.

Singing... Praying... Dancing...

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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In Our Prayers this Week:

Prayer requests will remain in the bulletin for four weeks unless a longer duration is requested through the church office.

Leon Fritzke, Gwen Dalchow, Dick Erickson, Rick Mann, Billy Gifford & Carol Scanlan
(uncle and aunt of Alyson Blakstad), Aiko Landgraf (niece of Sue Magnuson),
Darrell & Norma Madsen (friends of Roger & Elvina Nelson), Richard Wog (brother-in-law of Elvina Nelson),
Family of Sue Weiland (friend of Roger & Elvina Nelson)

We extend our sympathy to Gary & Colleen Alvig and family upon the recent passing of their daughter, Gina Will. May God grant you peace and comfort.

We also extend our sympathy to Jill Bierbaum-Rice (sister of Joy Rundell) and family upon the recent passing of Jill's husband, Don Rice. May God grant you peace and comfort.

Trinity's 2023 Confirmation Class

Evelyn Becker, Emmett Behrens, Kaden Blacketter, Sophia Danielson,
Zackery Gallus, Jimmy Gilles, Greta Guetzkow, Cody Hilgers,
Dru Illies, Kallie Jackson, Madelyn Johnson, Lily McMahon, Amelia Moeller,
McKenna Quinlan, Tyler Stutsman, Karson Tufte