



**PRELUDE**

The Little Fountain

S. Pratt

**GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**INTROIT**

Alleluia!

S. Martin

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#647 We Have Come to Join in Worship

HOLY MANNA

**\*INVOCATION AND 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (from Christian Aid's Weekly Prayers)

Generous God  
whose giving knows neither measure nor end,  
we confess that all too often we have kept our own  
hearts, hands and minds firmly closed.  
Forgive us for those times when our own wants and  
wishes have filled the horizon to the exclusion of all else,  
and made us blind and deaf  
to the needs and concerns of others.  
Forgive us for those moments when the fear of sharing  
what we have will lead to our own impoverishment,  
has kept us silent and still when those around us  
are in need.  
Forgive us for those situations when seeing only a  
problem rather than daring to dream a solution,  
has left us fettered and powerless  
where we might have been building your Kingdom.  
Forgive us Father.  
Help us to transcend self-centredness, greed and fear  
and to always to feel, think and act as those who know  
the hope that is rooted in the generous giving of God.

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

R. Goodson

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and  
Ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**OFFERING OF MUSIC IN WORSHIP**

Dona nobis pacem

A. Snyder, arr. C. Dyck

**FIRST TESTAMENT READING**

Isaiah 55:1-5

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

#71 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

**CHILDREN'S BLESSING**

**SECOND TESTAMENT READING**

Matthew 14:13-21

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

**SERMON**

Rev. Jeremy Keay

**\*HYMN OF APPROACH**

#61 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

WELLESLEY

**GATHERING AT THE TABLE**

\*The Passing of the Peace

\*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

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;

he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from there 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.

*\*catholic means the church universal or the church for all time*

**The Bread**

**The Cup**

*All who seek God and the presence of Christ are welcome to participate*

**WORDS FOR THE SHARING**

One: Living among us, Jesus loved us. In word and deed, he proclaimed the good news of a new story of love and wholeness. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners...

**Many: In imitation of God's perfect love, Jesus taught us to love the stranger, the outsider, and the enemy.**

**He redirected us from violence to peace, from fear to faith, from rivalry to mutual service, and from worry and greed to generosity, justice, and joy.**

One: On the night before he showed us the full extent of his love, Jesus took a loaf of bread, gave thanks, broke it, gave it to his friends, and asked them to remember him. As supper was ending, he took a cup of wine. Again he gave thanks and gave it to his friends, and asked them to remember him.

**Many: We now remember Jesus**

-- his life of truthfulness and love

-- how he gathered little children and blessed them

--how he ate at table with the excluded and forgotten

--how he moved toward the sick in body and mind

with healing

--how he preached and embodied God's new story of love

--how he confronted hypocrites and called all to rethink

their lives

--how he invited people like us to be disciples

--how he forgave those who tortured and killed him

--how he promised to rise among and in us,

and to be with us always.

One: We gather today, around this table and many tables.

Separated by distance but united by the Spirit of God.

We gratefully offer our lives as living sacrifices, so that the

risen Christ may fill our bodies and live through us as the

ongoing embodiment of Christ on this earth.

**All: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

**OFFERING OF MUSIC IN WORSHIP**

Moonrise

K. Robertson

**CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**Offertory**

The Nightingale

D. Henson-Conan

**\*Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*Prayer of Gratitude**

**\*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY**

#358 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BEECHER

**\*THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Leader:** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**\*Sung Benediction** Shalom

Israeli Round

**\*The Sending of the Community**

**\*Congregational Amen**

*The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week*

**\*POSTLUDE**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

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**\*Please stand, as you are able.**

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