

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

January 28, 2024 11:00 a.m.



PRELUDE Processional Organ Hymn

W. Mathias R. H. Haan

RATISBON

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises HALELUYA! PELO TSO RONA

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #91 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

***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

We live in a world beset by trouble. Evil breaks out in the most troubling ways and we feel only anxiety and fear. Those beaten down by evil forces wander our streets and we feel helpless to lift them up. When our lives are weighed down by trouble we feel unable to free ourselves. Jesus, we forget your authority over the powers and principalities of this world. We neglect to lift up our troubled world, and communities, and our own lives to your saving word. Cast out our demons and restore our confidence in you. Open our eyes to see you rightly and begin in us the practice of wisdom.

(Silence for personal reflection and confession)

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.

FIRST READING

Pages 622-623, 1st half of the NRSV Bible Psalm 111 Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

ANTHEM

If You But Trust in God to Guide You

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RESPONSIVE READING (from Psalm 111) One: We praise the Lord! Many: We give thanks with our whole hearts. One: Great are the works of God. Many: They are full of honour and majesty. One: God is known for his wonderful deeds. Many: He is gracious and merciful. One: The works of his hands are faithful and just. Many: They are established forever. One: God's precepts are trustworthy. Many: We will carry them out with faithfulness. One: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Many: We will praise him forever.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

#421 Nothing Can Trouble

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN OF MEDITATION #104 Hidden Christ, Alive for Ever RUSTINGTON

SECOND READING

Pages 35-36, 2nd half of the NRSV Bible Mark 1:21-28 Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON

Rev. Jeremy Keay **CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Offertory Suite No 5 - mvt 1. BWV 816 J. S. Bach *New Doxology M. Adria

Let's praise God for each good thing. All creation, shout and sing! Praise three persons, yet one Love: Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen. *Prayer of Gratitude

***HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY** #93 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness NETTLETON

Taizé Community

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.

*Choral Benediction Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises HALELUYA! PELO TSO RONA

*The Sending of the Community *Congregational Amen The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

*POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune and Toccata on RUSTINGTON

R. Deasley

*Please stand, as you are able

We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Writing & Worship Leading - Gordon Dinwoodie; Prayers of the People - Rev. Sue Hunter; Scripture Reading - Alex Baynes, Esther Steeves; Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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