

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

February 11, 2024 11:00 a.m.



#### PRELUDE Prelude and Fugue in G Major BWV 557 Trumpet Tune in G

# **GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

INTROIT Jesus, Stand Among Us

BEMERTON

J.S. Bach

W. Wold

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #121 Christ Is the World's Light CHRISTE SANCTORUM

## **\*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

The world is often bleak. Our lives are often mundane. There is disappointment. There is pain. There is loss. We question the meaning of it all. The value. Our value.

Yet, you give us love and radiant visions. In the midst of and in spite of bleakness and suffering.

We confess our need for, our reliance on, and our difficulty in taking up that love and that vision for a better reality.

(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** 

I Corinthians 13:1-13 Page 183, 2nd half of the NRSV Bible Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

ANTHEM

Still Be My Vision Sylvia Chow, violin M. McDonald

North side: If I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. South side: And he led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. North side: Now we see through a glass darkly; South side: and he was transfigured before them. North side: Love is patient, love is kind. South side: Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal, when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind. North side: Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. South side: and suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. North side: Now these three remain: faith, hope and love. South side: Let us build 3 shrines to what we saw. North side: But the greatest of these is love.

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** #397 The Gift of Love

**GIFT OF LOVE** 

# CHILDREN'S BLESSING

**ANTIPHONAL READING** 

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**\*HYMN OF MEDITATION** #245 We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

PLEADING SAVIOR

# SECOND READING

Page 45, 2nd half of the NRSV Bible Mark 9.2-9 Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

#### SERMON Rev. Jeremy Keay

- **CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS** Offertory C Chaminade
- Meditation Sylvia Chow, violin

M. Adria

\*New Doxology 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** #123 Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADERS' HYMN

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 Put Peace Into Each Other's Hands

ST. COLUMBA

## \*The Sending of the Community

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

#### \*POSTLUDE Christ is the World's True Light

J. B. Carlson

\*Please stand, as you are able We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Writing Prayers - Grant McIntyre; Prayers of the People - Rose Merke; Scripture Reading - Ryan Keay, Louise Adnams; Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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