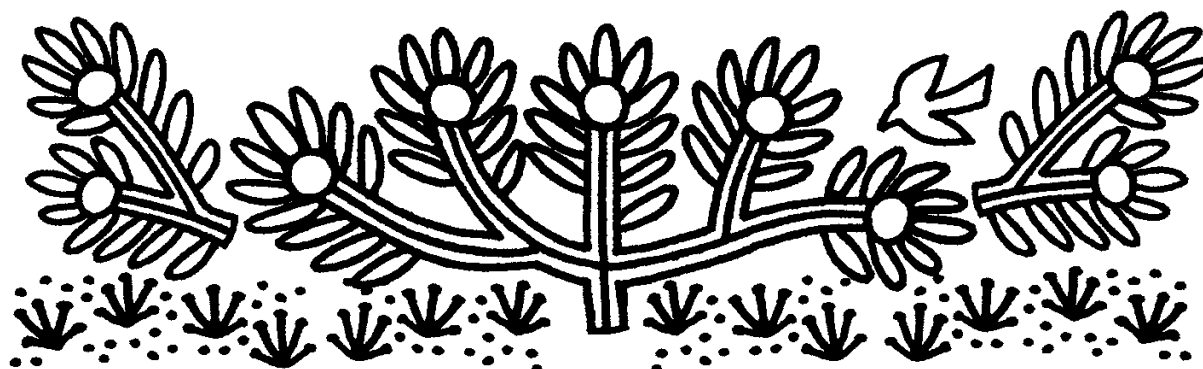




*Seeking the peace and well-being of the city*

August 24, 2025 1:30 p.m.



Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

## PRELUDE

Hymn Medley

arr. G. & C. Krueger

## GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

## CALL TO WORSHIP

## \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#384 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty  
(vs 1-3, 6)

LOBE DEN HERREN

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wond - rous - ly  
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -  
4 Praise to the Lord, who, when tem - pests their war - fare are

a reign fend wag  
 tion; eth, thee; ing,  
 O my soul, praise him, for  
 shel - ters thee un - der his  
 sure - ly his good - ness and  
 who, when the el - e - ments

he is thy health and sal - va - tion: all ye who  
 wings, yea, so gent - ly sus - tain - eth: hast thou not  
 mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee: pon - der a -  
 mad - ly a - round thee are rag - ing, bid - deth them

hear, bro - thers and sis - ters draw near,  
 seen how thy en - treat - ies have been  
 new what the Al - might - y can do,  
 cease, turn - eth their fu - ry to peace,

praise him in glad ad - o - ra tion.  
 grant - ed in what he or - dain eth?  
 if with his love he be - friend thee.  
 whirl - winds and wa - ters as - suag - ing.

6 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
 All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!  
 Let the Amen  
 sound from his people again:  
 gladly for aye we adore him.

Text: Joachim Neander (1650–1680); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827–1878), alt.  
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### **\*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**

**Lord God,  
We are so bound by our own rules and traditions,  
that we fail to see the human needs  
that go beyond the bounds of structures.  
We turn our backs on those in need,  
giving the responsibility to someone else.**

**Stop us from our selfish ways,  
and heal our hardened hearts.  
Forgive us, again, as you have so often before  
when we have failed to be your witnesses and workers.**

**Let us bring messages of love and hope to all people.  
Bring us to an understanding of the partnership of healing and hope  
that abides in your service.  
We ask these things in Jesus' name.  
Amen.**

*(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.**

## **FIRST READING**

Psalm 103:1-8

Read from the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

## LITANY (from *Oratio Contemplativa*)

One: King of all the earth, Creator of the universe, Holy Triune God,

**Many: From everlasting to everlasting, you are Lord.**

One: You are merciful and gracious, O Lord,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**Many: Bless the Lord, O my soul!**

One: You forgive all our iniquities and heal all our diseases;

**Many: Bless the Lord, O my soul!**

One: You redeem our lives from the pit  
and crown us with steadfast love and mercy;

**Many: Bless the Lord, O my soul!**

One: You satisfy us with good and renew our youth like the eagles;

**Many: Bless the Lord, O my soul!**

**All: This is our God, the Holy One.**

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE

#360 Bless the Lord, My Soul

Taizé Community

(Sing 3x)

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

Text: Ps. 103.1-2; para. Taizé Community (France).

Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994).

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# CHILDREN'S BLESSING

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### \*HYMN OF MEDITATION

#97 Meekness and Majesty

G. Kendrick

The musical score is written for a three-part setting (Soprano, Alto, and Bass) in 3/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a corresponding three-part harmony line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line of each system. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a focus on the lyrics. The first system covers the first two lines of the hymn, the second system covers the next two lines, and the third system covers the final two lines. The music is written in a clear, legible style, suitable for children's use.

1 Meek-ness and maj-es-ty, hu-man and de-i-ty,  
2 Fa-ther's pure ra-di-ance, per-fect in in-no-cence;  
3 Wis-dom un-search-a-ble, God, the in-vis-i-ble;

in per-fect har-mo-ny, the One who is God.  
yet learns o-be-di-ence to death on a cross.  
love in-de-struct-i-ble in frail-ty ap-pears.

Lord of e-ter-ni-ty, dwells in hu-man-i-ty;  
Suf-fering to give us life, con-quer-ing through sac-ri-fice;  
Lord of in-fin-i-ty, stoop-ing so ten-der-ly;

The image shows a musical score for a hymn, consisting of three systems of staves. Each system has a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are written below the staves.

System 1:  
 Treble staff: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4.  
 Bass staff: C3, D3, E3, F3, G3, A3, B3, C4, D4, E4, F4.  
 Lyrics: kneels in hu - mil - i - ty and wash - es our feet.  
 and as they cru - ci - fy prays, "Fa - ther, for - give."  
 lifts our hu - man - i - ty to the heights of his throne.

System 2:  
 Treble staff: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4.  
 Bass staff: C3, D3, E3, F3, G3, A3, B3, C4, D4, E4, F4.  
 Lyrics: O what a mys-ter - y, meek - ness and maj - es - ty;

System 3:  
 Treble staff: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4.  
 Bass staff: C3, D3, E3, F3, G3, A3, B3, C4, D4, E4, F4.  
 Lyrics: bow down and wor - ship, for this is your God.

WORDS and MUSIC: Graham Kendrick (1950- )

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## SECOND READING

Luke 13:10-17

Read from the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

## SERMON

Rev. Dr. Cory Seibel

*(Silence for personal reflection)*

## CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### Offertory

My Tribute

A. Crouch, arr. G. Krueger

### \*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

#630 Healer of Our Every Ill

M. Haugen

*Refrain (Unison)*

Heal-er of our ev-ery ill, light of each to - mor - row,

give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be-yond our sor - row.



**Chords:** Bm, F#m/A, G, F, Em, D/F#, G, Bm, A/C#, A7

*to Refrain*

1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your  
 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing, how your grace is  
 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - ery sis - ter,  
 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

peace and glad - ness. Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.  
 still un - fold - ing. Give us all your vi - sion, God of love.  
 ev - ery broth - er. Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.  
 way of heal - ing. Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

WORDS and MUSIC: Marty Haugen (1950- )

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### **\*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.

### **\*The Sending of the Community**

### **\*Congregational Amen**

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

## **POSTLUDE**

O Happy Day

E. Hawkins, arr. G. & C. Krueger

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

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:

Leading Worship & Writing Prayers of the People - Gordon Dinwoodie;

Writing Prayer of Confession & Litany - Kathy Brown;

Scripture Reading - Barbara Falk, Jon Maier;

Guest Musicians - Gary & Cheryl Krueger;

Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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Dawn Stiles, Minister of Children and Families

Dr. Evelyn Grieger, Minister of Music (*on vacation*)

Jerrold Eilander, Organist / Choir Accompanist