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The Third Second Sunday of Easter
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Pastor Jack Way
Organist/Keyboard: Claudine Hanson

God's Spirit Gathers Us

Prelude

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Call To Worship

L: He is risen!

C: Christ is alive!

L: We proclaim Christ's resurrection

C: By the power of the Holy Spirit.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Forgiving God,

C: We spend so much of our time doubting you, doubting ourselves, failing to place our trust in you. Our lack of faith causes us to stumble, and when we fall we fall far. Forgive us our sin and lift us so that we can rise to the challenge of carrying out your mission. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

L: God is merciful and just. God offers forgiveness for all who ask it. Receive now the entire forgiveness of all your sins and walk with the power of the Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn – All Are Welcome - #641

- 1 Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain

All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

- 2 Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: **Refrain**
- 3 Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: **Refrain**
- 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger: **Refrain**
- 5 Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: **Refrain**

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: God who calls us,

C: You took Saul and turned him in a completely new direction. You challenged Paul to become what he hated, and to help others to know a loving God through a risen Christ. Shape us so that we might be molded to your will. Amen.

Choir Anthem – He Loved Them to The End

God's Word Enlivens Us

Acts 9:1-19a

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his

hands on him so that he might regain his sight.” But Ananias answered, “Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.” But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.” So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

P: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Message – Pastor Jack Way

Hymn of the Day – Will You Let Me Be Your Servant - #659

- 1 Will you let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant, too.
- 2 We are pilgrims on a journey,
we are trav'lers on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.
- 3 I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.
- 4 I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.
- 5 Will you let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you?
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Installation of Officers and Trustees

L: The following people have been elected (by the congregation) to the church council

- Cindy Drehmel - President
- Larry Gorman - Vice President
- Rick Olson - Treasurer
- Patti Walker - Secretary
- Skyler Severson, Joan Reiersen, Steve Gilbert, Lynn Bubolz – Trustees
- Robert Risgaard – Bennett Treasurer
- Geri Gorman – Memorial Treasurer

L: The following members have been elected to the Nominating Committee for 2022

- Gayle Krueger
- Darlene Cutsforth
- Michael Miles

P: We give thanks for your willingness to serve in a spirit of joy and intentional participation in the life of the church. In baptism we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God; we rejoice now that these sisters and brothers will lead us in our common life and our mutual mission as a congregation.

L: *A reading from First Corinthians:* There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (*1 Corinthians 12:4-7*)

P: You have been elected to leadership positions at Redeemer Lutheran Church. The congregation honors you with their trust. You are to see that the words and deeds of this household of God bear witness to God, who gathers us into one together with the whole church. As leaders at Redeemer, you are to seek to involve all members of this congregation in worship, learning, witness, service, and support, so that the mission of Christ is carried out in this congregation, in the wider church, in this community, and in the whole world. You are to be faithful in your specific area of serving that the Spirit who empowers you may be glorified. You are to be examples of faith active in love, fostering peace, harmony, and mutual understanding in this congregation.

P: On behalf of your sisters and brothers in Christ, I ask you (elected leaders):

Will you accept and faithfully carry out the duties of the offices to which you have been elected?

Response:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

The assembly stands. Those being installed face the assembly. The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

P: People of God, I ask you:

Will you support these, your elected leaders, and will you share in the mutual ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized?

C: We will, and we ask God to help us.

P: I now declare you installed Leaders of this congregation.

L: Let us Pray.

C: Almighty God bless you, and direct your days and your deeds in peace, that you may be faithful servants of Christ. Amen.

Nicene Creed

L: Let us confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Joys and Concerns

P: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

P: Risen Lord,

C: Hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray,

C: We often think we know where we are going when you turn us in a new direction. Steer us toward gratitude, compassion, and generosity so that all may come to know you. Accept these gifts we offer to help further your mission. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

God's Meal Nourishes Us

Communion

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us pray together the words our Savior taught us,

The Lord's Prayer

P: The body of Christ given for you (Eat)
P: The blood of Christ shed for you (Drink)

Post Communion Prayer

God's Spirit Sends Us

Benediction:

P: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy, look upon you with kindness, and give you (+) peace

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn – We Are Called - #720

1 Come! Live in the light!
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom,
to live in the freedom of the city of God.

Refrain

***We are called to act with justice,
we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.***

2 Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless
so hatred and blindness will be no more. ***Refrain***

3 Sing! Sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign, and we'll walk with each other
as sisters and brothers united in love. ***Refrain***

Text: David Haas, b. 1957

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Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: We are the body of Christ raised up for the world.

We go in peace to share the good news of Jesus' resurrection.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Prayers

We hold in prayer this week those who have immediate concerns:

The family of Ina Boge, whose funeral was presided by Pastor Jack Way on Thursday, April 28th at Bonnet Prairie; the family of Lois Dott, who passed away recently; Gloria Lang; Claudine Hanson; and Tari Bergquist.

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We continue to hold in prayer those who have requested ongoing prayer:

Julie Schairer-Snave, friend of Pastor Jack and Val; Knute Nelson, Susan Brusveen's brother, who has prostate cancer; Max Pribbenow and Family; Sue Pulver; Brenda Vogeler (Harry Thompson's daughter); Beth Welter, Julie Thompson's niece; Vernon Wavra; Barb and Alfred Nelson; Sally Hohlstein; Marie Nobbs; Ron Huebner; Ryan & Kindra Bender; Virginia Olson; Betty Laper; Ken Wescott; Sarah Thompson; Heidi Bimrose; and Raymond Endres.

SENIOR CHOIR

Senior Choir meets at 1:00 on Wednesday afternoons in the basement of the church.

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Gathering Hymn – Amazing Grace - #779

- 1 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!
- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me;
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.
- 5 When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt., sts. 1-4; anonymous, st. 5

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: God of authenticity,

C: When Paul and Silas healed a girl with a spirit of divination, they were beaten and thrown in jail for threatening her owner's livelihood. They put the jailer's life before their own when they refused to escape. Help us to show our true selves to the world as Paul and Silas did. Amen.

Choir Anthem – You Are My All in All

God's Word Enlivens Us

Acts 16:16-34

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

L: One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Message – Geri Gorman

Hymn of the Day – Take My Life, That I May Be - #685

- 1 Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

- 2 Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing
always, only for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use
ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.
- 5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, adap.; Music: William H. Havergal, 1793-1870

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Offertory Prayer

L: Let us pray,

C: We bring our offerings before you, holy God. We ask that you bless them and use them for your glory. Even when we cannot see the ending of our efforts, we know that your spirit has the power to enter hearts and transform lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

God's Spirit Sends Us

Sending Hymn – When In Our Music God is Glorified - #850

- 1 When in our music God is glorified,
and adoration leaves no room for pride,
it is as though the whole creation cried:
Alleluia!
- 2 How oft, in making music, we have found
a new dimension in the world of sound,
as worship moved us to a more profound
Alleluia!
- 3 So has the church, in liturgy and song,
in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,
borne witness to the truth in ev'ry tongue:
Alleluia!

4 And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night
when utmost evil strove against the light?
Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight:
Alleluia!

5 Let ev'ry instrument be tuned for praise;
let all rejoice who have a voice to raise;
and may God give us faith to sing always:
Alleluia!

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903-2000 Music: Charles R. Anders, b. 1929
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Benediction:

Senior Choir – May The Lord Bless and Keep You

C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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Gathering Hymn – Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise - #834

- 1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise!
- 2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3 To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.
- 4 Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light;
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render; oh, help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824-1908, alt.

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: God of all wisdom,

C: Paul knew how to sit with people in their own reality before bringing them along the journey of the story of Christ. Teach us to honor people's journeys with grace and respect. Amen.

God's Word Enlivens Us

Acts 17:16-31

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

While Paul was waiting for them in Athens, he was deeply distressed to see that the city was full of idols. So he argued in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and also in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. Also some Epicurean and Stoic philosophers debated with him. Some said, "What does this babbling man want to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a proclaimer of foreign divinities." (This was because he was telling the good news about Jesus and the resurrection.) So they took him and brought him to the Areopagus and asked him, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? It sounds rather strange to us, so we would like to know what it means." Now all the Athenians and the foreigners living there would spend their time in nothing but telling or hearing something new.

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

P: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Message – Pastor Jack Way

Hymn of the Day – Blessed Assurance- #638

- 1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
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praising my Savior all the day long.

- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. ***Refrain***

- 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. ***Refrain***

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

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Prayers of Joys and Concerns

P: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

P: Risen Lord,

C: Your mercy is great.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray,

C: In you we live and move and have our being, holy God. We can do nothing apart from you. Even these gifts we offer were first granted to us through your grace and generosity. Accept these gifts, teach us to continue your work as we meet people where they are. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

God's Meal Nourishes Us

Communion

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
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Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
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Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us pray together the words our Savior taught us,

The Lord's Prayer

P: The body of Christ given for you (Eat)

P: The blood of Christ shed for you (Drink)

Post Communion Prayer

God's Spirit Sends Us

Benediction:

P: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy, look upon you with kindness, and give you (+) peace

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn – In Christ There is Not East or West - #650

- 1 In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one community of love
throughout the whole wide earth.
- 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev'rywhere
their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord
close binding humankind.
- 3 Join hands, disciples of the faith,
whate'er your race may be.
All children of the living God
are surely kin to me.
- 4 In Christ now meet both east and west,
in him meet south and north;
all Christly souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852-1941, alt.

Dismissal

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: We are the body of Christ raised up for the world.

We go in peace to share the good news of Jesus' resurrection.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Thank you!
Sincerely,
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God's Spirit Gathers Us

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Council has voted that masks are required when singing. Humming along without masks is acceptable. Masking during worship is optional, (except when singing).

Please contact the office if you wish to receive a hard copy of the bulletin or pre-packaged Communion Cups.

Call To Worship

L: He is risen!

C: Christ is alive!

L: We gather so that our words and our actions,

C: model Christ's grace, compassion, and love!

Confession and Forgiveness

L: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Forgiving God,

C: We spend so much of our time doubting you, doubting ourselves, failing to place our trust in you. Our lack of faith causes us to stumble, and when we fall, we fall far. Forgive us our sin and lift us so that we can rise to the challenge of carrying out your mission. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

L: God is merciful and just. God offers forgiveness for all who ask it. Receive now the entire forgiveness of all your sins and walk with the power of the Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn – Love Divine, All Loves Excelling - #631 (v.1&3) #392 (V.1&4)

631:

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter ev'ry trembling heart.

- 3 Come, Almighty, to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

392:

- 1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
has redeemed us by his blood."

- 4 Alleluia! King eternal,
Lord omnipotent we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth your footstool, heav'n your throne.
As within the veil you entered,
robed in flesh, our great high priest,
here on earth both priest and victim
in the eucharistic feast.

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898, alt. Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray. (Pause)

L: God of grace,

C: Paul encouraged believers to have courage and live their truth. Grant us courage and a willingness to put you and others first. Amen.

God's Word Enlivens Us

Philippians 1:1-18a

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus.

And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

I want you to know, beloved that what has happened to me has actually helped to spread the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to everyone else that my imprisonment is for Christ; and most of the brothers and sisters, having been made confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, dare to speak the word with greater boldness and without fear. Some proclaim Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from goodwill. These proclaim Christ out of love, knowing that I have been put here for the defense of the gospel; the others proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but intending to increase my suffering in my imprisonment. What does it matter? Just this, that Christ is proclaimed in every way, whether out of false motives or true; and in that I rejoice.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Message – Pastor Jack Way

Hymn of the Day – Will You Come and Follow Me - #798

- 1 "Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?"

- 2 "Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare,
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r
in you and you in me?"

- 3 "Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name?
Will you set the pris'ners free
and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you and you in me?"

- 4 "Will you love the you you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me?"

- 5 Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

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Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray.

C: Lord, you come to us in any circumstance, both good and bad. As Paul continued to act with your strength while in prison, we too, can act with generosity and courage. Accept these gifts given gratefully, no matter where our lives' journeys are taking us today. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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Benediction:

P: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy, look upon you with kindness, and give you (+) peace

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn – Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing - #545

- 1 Lord, dismiss us with your blessing,
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh, refresh us; oh, refresh us,
trav'ling through this wilderness.

- 2 Thanks we give and adoration
for your gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of your salvation
in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful
to your truth may we be found.

- 3 Savior, when your love shall call us
from our struggling pilgrim way,
let no fear of death appall us,
glad your summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever
reign with you in endless day.

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740-1817, sts. 1-2, alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 3, alt.

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