

January 31, 2021

Before service speak silently to the Lord, during the service let the Lord speak powerfully to you.

Service for the Worship of God



Our Mission is to be a
community of disciples
with a heart for God
and hands to help others.

* = All who are able please stand. w **boldface** = congregation participates

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Generous God, whose love embraces the sinner and challenges the self-righteous, enable us to hear the call of discipleship, trusting not in our worthiness but in the healing love of Jesus Christ, the Great Physician. Amen.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

arr. Cindy Berry

Gathering in the Lord's Presence

CALL TO WORSHIP / CALLING MEETING TO ORDER

Leader: Friends we come to worship God!

People: Singing and praying and spending this time together.

Leader: We come to do the work of the church.

People: As one body, one people, with our head Jesus Christ.

Leader: Let us worship God and work together!

People: Alleluia! Amen.

HYMN #667

When Morning Gilds the Skies

APPROVING MINUTES of June 28, 2020 Congregational Meeting

ELECTION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

Roger Lawrence – Financial Secretary,

Debbie Suits – Treasurer,

Jackie Lawrence – Memorial Secretary.

ELECTION OF TRUSTEES, class of 2024

Jane Foreman

Chris Prodoehl

Cindy Stoner

Tom Wiesenmayer

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we take this time today to come before you, but as we do, we are aware that all is not right within us. We neglect your word, we fail to meditate on your law, we forget to speak with you, we make plans without turning to you, we do things that we know are wrong. We did not put you first in our lives. Forgive how we have failed to love you with all our heart, our soul, our mind, and our strength. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Brothers, sisters, family in Christ, as you choose again this day to love God and to love one another, know that God has forgiven you and offers a new and full life.

People: Praise be to God, now forever. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

INSTALLATION OF NEW TRUSTEES

Hearing the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: Mark 2:13-22

¹³ Jesus went out again beside the sea; the whole crowd gathered around him, and he taught them. ¹⁴ As he was walking along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him. ¹⁵ And as he sat at dinner in Levi’s house, many tax collectors and sinners were also sitting with Jesus and his disciples—for there were many who followed him. ¹⁶ When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, they said to his disciples, “Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹⁷ When Jesus heard this, he said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.”

¹⁸ Now John’s disciples and the Pharisees were fasting; and people came and said to him, “Why do John’s disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?” ¹⁹ Jesus said to them, “The wedding guests cannot fast while the bridegroom is with them, can they? As long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast. ²⁰ The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast on that day.” ²¹ “No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak; otherwise, the patch pulls away from it, the new from the old, and a worse tear is made. ²² And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost, and so are the skins; but one puts new wine into fresh wineskins.”

RESPONSE:

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: *Joining the Banquet*

Responding to the Word

SONG: *I Won't Back Down*

GIVING THANKS

RECOGNIZING Outgoing Trustees

Tim Doyle
Holly Kost
Jeff Pleiter
Chris Visser

OFFERING & Prayer of Dedication with Special Litany

DOXOLOGY

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Endowment Report
2020 Budget Review
Presentation of 2021 Budget
Approving Pastoral Terms of Call

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There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

SHARING MISSION BENEVOLENCE REPORT

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

Going Forth to Serve

BENEDICTION / ADJOURNMENT

RESPONSE TO BENEDICTION: *In My Life Lord*

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Lauren Cochran, Pastor
Dylan Rehm, Chancel and Bell Choir Director
Darlene Richards, Organist and Pianist
Amy Wiesenmayer, Reader
Matt Parker Wrzeszcz, Associate Pastor
Messenger Band, Kurt Schweitz, Band Director