GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Please take a moment during the Prelude to silence your cell phones and quietly prepare yourself for worship.

WELCOME AND MINUTES FOR MINISTRY
PRELUDE
*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 34:1-10,22):
Leader: I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips. I will glory in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.
All: Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together. I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.
Leader: Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame. This poor man called, and the Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.
All: The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them. Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.
Leader: Fear the Lord, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing. The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.
All: The Lord will rescue his servants; no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN "For All the Saints" Hymnal **326**

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

*CALL TO CONFESSION
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:
Gracious God, you call us your own children and cover us with your love. We would seek to be merciful as you are, and to show compassion as you do, but we fail to live the life to which we have been called. Where we ought to forgive, we condemn; the evil we should shun, we embrace. Forgive our sinful ways, tame our wayward wills, and make us more like Christ, until we are raised in perfection on the last day. Amen.
*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS:
Leader: Sisters and brothers, no one who takes refuge in God will be condemned. Believe the good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE
Revelation 7:9-17 Pew Bible p.**871**
Hebrews 11:1-4; 11:32-12:3 Pew Bible p.**851-2**

MESSAGE *Pastor Blake Severson*

*HYMN "Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen" Hymnal **536**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS
INVITATION TO THE TABLE
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE *(Gluten-free bread is available in a cup on each tray.)*
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
INVITATION TO THE OFFERING
OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD
OFFERTORY

* “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” Hymnal 606

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GOING INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN “God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me” Hymnal **543**

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE

**Those who are able please stand*

WELCOME to worship – we are glad that you’re here! If you are visiting today and would like to share your contact information with the office, there are welcome cards in the pew pockets. Please fill one out and place it in the offering plate during the collection time. Everyone is invited to stay for coffee, snacks, and fellowship in the narthex after worship.

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS with a black cover, are on the small bookcase in the rear of the sanctuary.

Children up to Kindergarten age are welcome in the nursery. There are clipboards with coloring pages in the narthex if your children wish to stay in the sanctuary.



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