

Worship Service ~ October 18, 2020 9:00

VISION: Be the body of Christ:
welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith.
MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

Today's Worship Broadcast sponsored by Joyce Winnick in
honor of all health care workers.

PRELUDE MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG **ELW #612 HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL** stz 2, 3
Refrain Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding,
Give us all your vision, God of love. *Refrain*

Give us strength to love each other, ev'ry sister,
Ev'ry brother; Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. *Refrain*

INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

~Silence for reflection and self-examination~

L: Faithful God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace
and go our own ways.**

**We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.
We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep
your gift of salvation to ourselves.**

**Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us
again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

L: God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Our sins are forgiven in the name of ☩ Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

C: Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYER LAB MINUTE WITH DEACON NINA

SPECIAL MUSIC *"You Servants of God"* ELW #825 arr. Bill Ingram
Bells of Faith; Dean Jensen, director

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

R: A reading from the 45th chapter of Isaiah.

Isaiah 45:5-7

⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.

I arm you, though you do not know me,

⁶so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;

I am the LORD, and there is no other.

⁷I form light and create darkness,

I make weal and create woe;

I the LORD do all these things.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **ALLELUIA**

R: A Gospel reading from the 22nd chapter of Matthew.

Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

HYMN OF THE DAY **ELW #841 LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING** stz 3

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,

Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wind of the world, we forget thee;
Shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand,
True to our God, true to our native land.

MESSAGE Pastor John Klawiter

MUSICAL OFFERING *“When our Hearts are Filled with Love”*
-by Milt Warkentien; Faith Online Choir

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: We pray, **Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

BLESSING

L: May the LORD bless us and keep us; May the LORD's face shine upon us and be gracious unto us, May the LORD look upon us with favor, + and give us peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG **ELW #825 YOU SERVANTS OF GOD** stz 1, 2

You servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name;
the name, all victorious, of Jesus extol;
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all!

Ascended on high, almighty to save,
yet still he is nigh, his presence we have.
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our king!

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE MUSIC

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