



Proclaim Jesus Christ, Live in Christ, Serve!

PRELUDE

Offertory from Mass for the Parishes

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WELCOME & INVITATIONS

OPENING HYMN Christ, Be Our Light



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.



Refrain
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

INVOCATION

Leader: We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: In the presence of the God who sees widows and exiles, who hears the cries of the oppressed, hear us now as we silently confess our sin.

(Silence)

Leader: Faithful God,

All: **We confess that we often walk by fear and not by trust.
We are tempted to grow bitter and lose sight of Your future.
We are more concerned with our futures than others.
We stay silent when our voices could protect others.
Our actions don't always match our words.
Forgive us, reshape our hearts, and give us courage to say,
"Where you go, we will go."**

Amen

Leader: People of God, hear this promise:

The same God who brought Naomi and Ruth from famine to fullness, has acted for all of us in Jesus Christ. On the cross and in the empty tomb, we see God's determination to bring forgiveness and new life. Through Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven; you are free to live with love and courage. In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit,

All: Amen

Leader: May the God who stays with us in loss and new places, be with you.

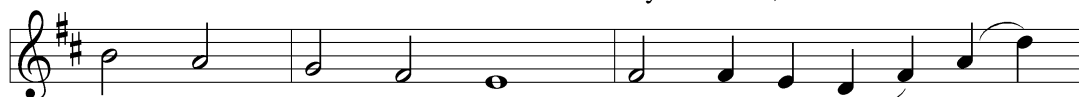
All: **And also with you.**

Please share a sign of God's peace with those around you.

HYMN OF PRAISE I Know that My Redeemer Lives!



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
2 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my



once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.

Tune: DUKE STREET, Text: Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-1799, alt., Music: attr. John Hatton

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray.
God of steadfast love and surprising reversals, teach us to trust your hidden work and to risk loyalty and courage for our neighbors. Continue to invite us into your redeeming work in the world as you turn sadness into joy and death into life; through Jesus Christ, our companion and our Savior.

All: Amen

Please be seated

READING Ruth 3:1-13

Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor, but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then go and uncover his feet and lie down, and he will tell you what to do." She said to her, "All that you say I will do."

So she went down to the threshing floor and did just as her mother-in-law had instructed her. When Boaz had eaten and drunk and was in a contented mood, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain. Then she came stealthily and uncovered his feet and lay down. At midnight the man was startled and turned over, and there, lying at his feet, was a woman! He said, "Who are you?" And she answered, "I am Ruth, your servant; spread your cloak over your servant, for you are next-of-kin." He said, "May you be blessed by the Lord, my daughter; this last instance of your loyalty is better than the first; you have not gone after young men, whether poor or rich. And now, my daughter, do not be afraid, I will do for you all that you ask, for all the assembly of my people know that you are a worthy woman. But now, though it is true that I am a near kinsman, there is another kinsman more closely related than I. Remain this night, and in the morning, if he will act as next-of-kin for you, good; let him do it. But if he is not willing to act as next-of-kin for you, then, as the Lord lives, I will act as next-of-kin for you. Lie down until the morning."

SOLO "All the Way My Savior Leads Me"

Sarah Anderson, soprano; Matt Anderson, piano

Fanny J. Crosby and Robert Lowry
arr. Matt Anderson

All the way my Savior leads me,
What have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt his tender mercy,
Who thru' life has been my Guide?
Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort,
Here by faith in him to dwell!
For I know, whate'er befall me,
Jesus doeth all things well.

All the way my Savior leads me,
Cheers each winding path I tread;
Gives me grace for ev'ry trial,
Feeds me with the living Bread.
Tho' my weary steps may falter,
And my soul athirst may be,
Gushing from the Rock before me,
Lo! A spring of joy I see.

All the way my Savior leads me;
Oh, the fullness of His love!
Perfect rest to me is promised
In my Father's house above.
When my spirit, cloth'd immortal,
Wings its flight to realms of day
This my song thru' endless ages:
Jesus led me all the way.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

9:00

Weston Jeffrey Kolquist

10:30

Lilly Autumn Hedlund
Valkyrie Virginia Molin

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

HYMN Blessed Assurance



Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



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Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

**Joyful confession: I am his own!
Following Jesus, I'm never alone.
Born of his Spirit, I am restored,
challenged to serve my Savior and Lord. [Refrain]**

READING Ruth 3:14-18

So she lay at his feet until morning but got up before one person could recognize another, for he said, "It must not be known that the woman came to the threshing floor." Then he said, "Bring the cloak you are wearing and hold it out." So she held it, and he measured out six measures of barley and put it on her back; then he went into the town. She came to her mother-in-law, who said, "How did things go with you, my daughter?" Then she told her all that the man had done for her, saying, "He gave me these six measures of barley, for he said, 'Do not go back to your mother-in-law empty-handed.'" She replied, "Wait, my daughter, until you learn how the matter turns out, for the man will not rest but will settle the matter today."

Leader: Word of God, word of life.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Pastor Amy Mihelich Smith

OFFERING "Lively, Light" no. 2 from Fantasiestücke

Robert Schumann

Katherine Anderson, cello
Matt Anderson, piano
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OFFERTORY Christ, Be Our Light

**Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
signs of your kingdom come. *Refrain***

Refrain

**Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

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.

THE 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, forever and ever. Amen

LAMB OF GOD (All Sing)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace. Grant us peace.

COMMUNION

"Andante con moto tranquillo"
(from Piano Trio no. 1 in D minor)

Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy

Julia Anderson, violin; Katherine Anderson, cello; Matt Anderson, piano
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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Leader: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in
God's grace.

All: Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray,
Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your
love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you
have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

All: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to
you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All Sing: Amen.

HYMN **Sent Forth by God's Blessing**



1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, our true faith con - fess - ing, the
2 With praise and thanks-giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing, the



peo - ple of God from his dwell - ing take leave.
tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face.



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed the
Our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing, em -



fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
brac - ing his chil - dren of each tribe and race.



The seed of his teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls
With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



His grace did in - vite us, his love shall u - nite us to
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing give



work for God's king - dom and an - swer his call.
hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997, alt.
Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune

DISMISSAL

Leader: The God who walked with Ruth on the road, and who raised Jesus from the dead, guard your going out and your coming in today and always.

All: **Amen.**

Leader: Go in peace. Love and serve with courage.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Fugue in C Major ‘Gigue’ Fugue BuxWV 174
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<p>LEADING TODAY’S WORSHIP Preacher: Pastor Amy Mihelich Smith Assisting: Pastor Sarah Breckenridge Pastor John Swanson</p> <p>Music Matt, Sarah, Julia, & Katherine Anderson Bill Chouinard, Organist</p>	<p>NEXT SUNDAY Guest Preacher Pastor Josh Carlson</p> <p>Scripture: Ruth 4:1-17</p> <p>Music Emma Barat, soloist</p>
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