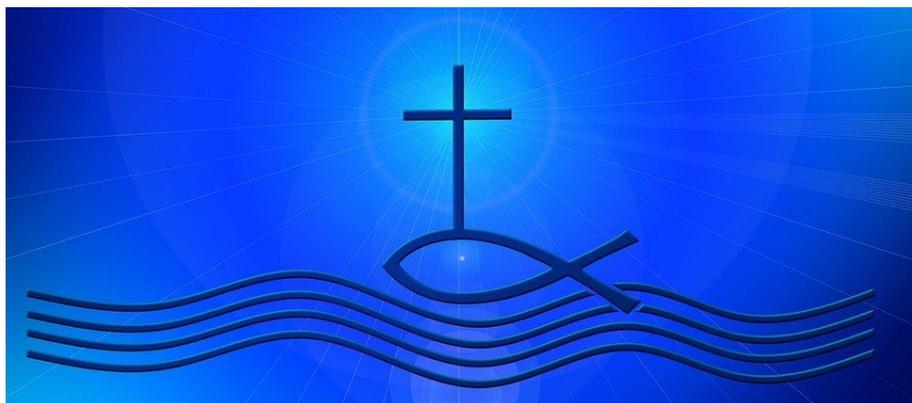


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The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost



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SERVICE of WORD and PRAYER

from With One Voice

THE PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

INSTALLATION OF MLC TEACHERS

HYMN: "Here in This Place" vs 1,3,4

Here in This Place

Gather Us In

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1 Here in this place . . . new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,

D A C G Gm Dm

van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
yeam for your face; we have been sung through-out all of his - t'ry,
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,

C G D A C G

brought here to you in the light of this day,
called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
now is the king-dom, and now is the day.

Gm Dm C D C/D Gm⁶/D D

Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en, gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er, gath-er us in and

A C D G A C

blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly,
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peop-les to-geth-er,

D G A D A C G

we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Gm Dm C D C/D Gm⁶/D D

THE GREETING & DIALOG

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

And also with you.

You are the treasured people of the LORD,
a people holy to the LORD our God.

Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

**Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away,
when you lie down and when you rise.**

One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

SCRIPTURE SONG

Refrain



☐ Sal - va - tion be - longs to our God and to



Christ the Lamb for - ev - er and ev - er.

☐ Great and won - der - ful are your deeds, O God of the u - ni - verse;



just and true are your ways, O Rul - er of all the na - tions.

Refrain



Who can fail to hon - or you, Lord, and sing the glo - ry of your name?

☐ For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One. All



na - tions will draw near and wor - ship be - fore you,

Refrain



for your just and ho - ly works have been re - vealed.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given great and precious promises to those who believe. Grant us the perfect faith which overcomes all doubts, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

TEMPLE TALK: *Disaster Relief Mission Trip*

Jacque Fry

VIOLIN SOLO: *Hornpipe 2* by Handel

Gretchen Perry

THE FIRST LESSON

Proverbs 9:1-6

⁹ Wisdom has built her house,
she has hewn her seven pillars.

² She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine,
she has also set her table.

³ She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls
from the highest places in the town,

⁴ “You that are simple, turn in here!”

To those without sense she says,

⁵ “Come, eat of my bread
and drink of the wine I have mixed.

⁶ Lay aside immaturity, and live,
and walk in the way of insight.”

THE PSALM *Psalm 34:9-14*

⁹ Fear the LORD, you that are his saints,
for those who fear him lack nothing.

¹⁰ **The young lions lack and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD
lack nothing that is good.**

¹¹ Come, children, and listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

¹² **Who among you loves life
and desires long life
to enjoy prosperity?**

¹³ Keep your tongue from evil-speaking
and your lips from lying words.

¹⁴ **Turn from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.**

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 5:15-20

¹⁵ Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸ Do not get

drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰ giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: “Word of Life”

Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!

Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all praise to you!

Our hearts burn with - in us while you o - pen to us the Scrip-tures.

Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!

Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all praise to you!

The musical notation consists of five staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is a simple, melodic line with some rests and a final cadence. The lyrics are: "Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!". The second staff has the lyrics: "Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all praise to you!". The third staff has the lyrics: "Our hearts burn with - in us while you o - pen to us the Scrip-tures.". The fourth staff has the lyrics: "Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!". The fifth staff has the lyrics: "Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all praise to you!".

THE GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL

John 6:51-58

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³ So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵ for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN: "We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus"

698 We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus

1 We were bap-tized in Christ Je - sus, we were bap-tized in his death;
2 In the wa - ter and the wit-ness, in the break-ing of the bread,
3 Glo-ry be to God the Fa - ther, glo-ry be to Christ the Son,

that as Christ was raised vic - to - rious, we might live a brand new life.
in the wait - ing arms of Je - sus who is ris - en from the dead,
glo-ry to the Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er three and ev - er one;

And if we have been u - nit - ed in a dread-ful death like his,
God has made a new be - gin-ning from the ash - es of our past;
as it was in the be - gin-ning, glo - ry now re-sounds a - gain

we will all be re - u - nit - ed, for he lives.
in the los - ing and the win - ning we hold fast.
in a song that has no end - ing. A - men

THE SERMON

HYMN: "I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"

770 I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry

1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are
 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you
 3 "In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger

old. I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to
 on; you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to
 young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, com -

see your life un - fold. I was there when you were but a
 whom you now be - long. If you find some-one to share your
 plete what I've be - gun. When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es

child, with a faith to suit you well;
 time and you join your hearts as one,
 in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,

C C

in a blaze of light you wan - dered off to
 I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from
 I'll be there as I have al - ways been with

A⁷ D D⁷ G D

find where de - mons dwell."
 dusk till ris - ing sun."
 just one more sur - prise." 4 "I was there to hear your

G D G D G D G D

born - ing cry, I'll be there when you are old. I re -

G D G D G C D⁷ G

joiced the day you were bap-tized, to see your life un - fold."

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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**

Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

pray in the Holy Spirit.

Keep yourselves in the love of God;

look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

Everything old has passed away;

behold, everything has become new!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

(silence for reflection and self examination.)

Gracious God,

**Have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown, things done and left undone.**

**Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and
serve you in newness of life,**

**To the honor and glory of your holy name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, Agree with one another, live in peace.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

THE OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY: "Glory to You, God" vs. 3



(Advent to Transfiguration) **Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;**
 (Lent to Pentecost) **Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;**
 (Season after Pentecost) **Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;**



yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
 Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

God, our Creator,

You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

As God's people called to love one another,
let us pray for the needs of the Church, the human family, and all the world.

God of mercy,

Hear our prayer.

All these things and whatever else you see that we need, grant us, O God, for the sake of Christ who died and rose again, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

THE BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen

My Life Flows On in Endless Song

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F B^b F C

1 My life flows on in end-less song; a - bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion,
 2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring - ing.
 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv - eth.
 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev - er spring-ing!

F B^b F C⁷ F

I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
 It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
 What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
 All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain F C Dm C F C F

No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.

F B^b F F/C C⁷ F

Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

THE DISMISSAL

THE POSTLUDE