

The same Lord is

LORD

OF

ALL

**and richly blesses
all who call on him.**

Romans 10:12, NIV

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GATHERING . . . WORD . . . SENDING

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PRELUDE . . . *“Open the Eyes of y Heart”*

Favorite Hymn of Sally Bentley

WELCOME

SINGING BOWL

INVOCATION

P: O God who is greater than the most powerful forces in this world, enable us to be still and know that You are God.

All: O Lord who answers out of the whirlwind of everyday life, breathe in us Your Holy Spirit to strengthen, comfort, and guide us in the midst of the storm.

P: O still, small voice, speak to us this hour that we might become makers of Your peace in our homes, in our communities, in our world.

All: We pray all this in the name of the One who calmed the raging sea. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Jesus walks to us over the water.

All: “Call to us, Lord. We long to be with you.”

L: Jesus calls to us, “Come! Do not be afraid.”

All: “Save us, Lord, we’re sinking!”

L: Jesus saves us from our fears. God delivers us from the storm.

All: Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign if the cross.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

All: Amen.

Silence for Reflection

P: Reconciling God,

All: we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives.

P: We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts.

All: We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.

P: We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.

All: We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us.

P: We sin in thought, word, and deed.

All: By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

P: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace.

All: Our sins are forgiven.

P: Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.



LITANY . . . *Based on a prayer by Hildegard of Bingen*

L: Come, Holy Spirit,

All: light from heaven

L: giver of gifts,

All: refreshment of the soul,

L: rest in labor;

All: cleanse what is filthy,

L: water what is parched,

All: heal what is wounded,

L: warm what is cold,

All: guide what has gone astray,

L: give everlasting joy.

All: Holy Spirit,

L: you are the breath, give us life,

All: you are the salve, heal our wounds,

L: you are the fire, warm our hearts,

All: you are the light, guide our feet.

L: Let all the world praise you,

All: through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid.

All: Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GATHERING . . . WORD . . . SENDING

INTRODUCTION TO THE WORD

Reader: You are the living God who sustains all life in continually unfolding ways. And now may we open our ears to your continually unfolding Word. You speak to us in new and vital and imperative ways.

All: With all the power you have given us, let us be silent and open to listening... for nourishment, comfort, for challenge and new focus. Amen.

Reader: Today's reading is from Romans chapter ten, beginning with the fifth verse.

READING . . . *Romans 10:5-15*

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' " (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?' " (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

"The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Reader: Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S TIME . . . *Pastor Tim*

HOMILY . . . *Pastor Tim*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours,

All: and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

L: Water and word, wine and bread:

All: these are signs of your abundant grace.

L: Nourish us through these gifts,

All: that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

L: Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need. For your whole church throughout the world. Give courage in the midst of storms, so that we see and hear Jesus calling: "Take heart, it is I: do not be afraid." May we follow Christ wherever he leads. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

L: For the nations and their leaders. In you, steadfast love and faithfulness meet, and righteousness and peace kiss. May nations in conflict know the peace that is the fruit of justice, and the justice that is the path to peace. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

L: For those in need. Everyone who calls upon your name will be saved. Accompany all who are lonely, hear the voices of those who cry out in anguish, and support those who are frustrated in their search for an affordable place to live. We pray for those suffering this day. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

L: Hear now the prayers of our hearts said silently or aloud.

Here other prayers may be offered.

L: Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayers.

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

All: 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.

GATHERING . . . WORD . . . SENDING

BENEDICTION

P: God blesses us with strength for the journey.

All: Our hearts sing God's praises.

P: Christ lifts us up from the raging waters of life.

All: Our spirits rejoice in our salvation.

P: The Spirit guides us with dreams full of hope and promise.

All: Our lives rest secure in the One who is faithful. Thanks be to God!

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

All: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE . . . "Every Move I Make"

Favorite Hymn of Cassie Di Paola

SINGING BOWL

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If you confess with your



MOUTH

"Jesus is Lord"

and believe in your

HEART



that God raised him

from the dead, you will be

SAVED!

