



*“If I only touch his cloak,
I will be made well.”*

Matthew 9:21, NRSV

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Welcome! Enter with Prayer, Worship in Awe, Leave to Serve.

Our worship services are livestreamed on our YouTube channel and our website. If you do not wish to be filmed, please do not sit in the first four pews or the last pew. Children's Time and communion distribution are not filmed.

All invitations to stand or kneel are for those who are able.

WELCOME TO THE STORY

Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord's Day, we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God's mercy for the world.

A Story that Invites Us

SINGING BOWL

During the ringing of the bowl, you are encouraged to center your thoughts on God the Creator, Christ the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Comforter.

PRELUDE: *“Rise and Sing”*

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

If you're alive and you've been redeemed

Rise and Sing, Rise and Sing

If you've been touched by the mercy King

Rise and Sing, Rise and Sing

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

If you were bound but now you're free

Rise and Sing, Rise and Sing

Lift up a shout of victory

Rise and Sing, Rise and Sing

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

Our God is risen and reigning

And we're elevating

the Glory of our God and King

Everybody Rise and Sing

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

If in your heart rings a melody

Rise and Sing, Rise and Sing

If you have tasted and have seen

Rise and Sing, Rise and Sing

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

Our God is risen and reigning

And we're elevating

the Glory of our God and King

Our God is risen and reigning
And we're elevating
the Glory of our God and King
Everybody Rise and Sing

Whoa oh oh oh oh oh
Whoa oh oh oh oh oh

Let the redeemed of the Lord sing hallelujah (hallelujah)
Let the redeemed of the Lord sing our God reigns (our God reigns)
(Repeat)

Our God is risen and reigning
And we're elevating
the Glory of our God and King

Our God is risen and reigning
And we're elevating
the Glory of our God and King
Everybody Rise and Sing

WELCOME

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ is with you.

All: And also with you.

Please Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross,
the sign marked at baptism.

*P: Generous, compassionate God, you call us to live in
peace with one another, sharing the good gifts you give
us with all of your creation.*

**All: Yet, we hang on tightly to our possessions, fearing
that we will not have enough.**

P: You call us to remember that we are one in Christ, and to treat one another with love and respect.

All: Still, we argue over little things, expecting you to tell us that we are right and that others are wrong.

P: You call us to rely on you, and to put our trust in your eternal love.

All: Forgive us when we turn away from you.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God has promised to fill us with good things, to satisfy our hunger and thirst with love and grace. In the name of Christ, you are forgiven.

All: In the name of Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come into God's presence.

All: All are welcome here.

L: Come, saints and sinners alike.

All: We are all God's children.

L: Faith has brought us here.

All: Grace will make us whole.

L: Come! Let us worship.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Love the Lord"

Verse 1:

Love the Lord your God

With all your heart, With all your soul, With all your mind

And with all your strength

(Repeat)

Chorus 1:

With all your heart

With all your soul

With all your mind

With all your strength

Love the Lord your God
With all your heart, With all your soul, With all your mind
And with all your strength

Verse 2:

I will serve the Lord
With all my heart, With all my soul, With all my mind
And with all my strength
(Repeat)

Chorus 2:

With all my heart
With all my soul
With all my mind
With all my strength
I will serve the Lord
With all my heart, With all my soul, With all my mind
And with all my strength

Bridge:

I will love you
I will praise you
I will serve you
I will trust you, Lord

Chorus 3:

With all my heart
With all my soul
With all my mind
With all my strength
(Repeat)

Ending:

I will love you Lord
With all my heart, With all my soul, With all my mind
And with all my strength
(Repeat 2x)



GREETING

P: The grace that is Christ's gift to us, the love of God, and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace is with you all.

All: And also with you. Amen.

LITANY

L: Faithful and loving God, your grace makes our faith possible. May we live and go about our lives as people who place our trust in you.

All: May we love and care for others as people who turn to you for help.

L: Where there is doubt or distrust,

All: renew our faith.

L: Where there is fear or insecurity,

All: grant us courage.

L: Where there is fatigue and weariness,

All: give us amazing strength.

L: Where there is confusion of purpose,

All: give us wisdom.

L: Where there is sorrow and loss,

All: bring us peace.

L: In Christ's name, we pray.

All: Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being.

All: By the power of your Spirit, bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Be Seated

The Story that Shapes and Forms Us

INTRODUCTION TO THE WORD

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

READING: *Romans 4:13-25*

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader: Here ends the reading.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Reader: Word of God, word of life.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the ninth chapter.

All: **Glory to you, O God.**

GOSPEL: *Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26*

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick.

Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

P: The Gospel, the good news of God.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Barbara



Please Stand

PRE-MESSAGE SONG: "God of Wonders"

Verse 1:

Lord of all creation, of water earth and sky

The heavens are Your tabernacle

Glory to the Lord on high

Chorus:

God of Wonders beyond all galaxy
You are holy, holy the universe declares Your majesty
You are holy, holy Lord of heaven and earth
Lord of heaven and earth

Verse 2:

Early in the morning, I will celebrate the light
When I stumble in the darkness
I will call your name by night

Chorus

Repeat Chorus

Be Seated

MESSAGE: Pastor Barbara

A Story that Feeds Us

INVITATION TO OFFERING

L: Jesus says, “Take nothing for the journey—no bread, no bags, no money.” Rather, bring yourselves, totally and completely. Bring your love, your gifts, your service, your leadership.

All: **May this be so as we share our offerings of monetary gifts in this time together.**

THANKFUL OFFERING

OFFERING SONG: “*Fill My Cup*”

Chorus:

Fill my cup and let it overflow, mmm
Fill my cup and let it overflow, oh oh oh
Fill my cup and let it overflow,
Let it overflow with love.

Verse 1:

Jesus loves me this I know, mmm
For the Bible tells me so, oh oh oh
Little ones to him belong.
I am weak, but he is stro-ng.

Chorus:

Fill my cup and let it overflow, mmm
Fill my cup and let it overflow, oh oh oh
Fill my cup and let it overflow,
Let it overflow with love.

Verse 2:

Amazing Grace how sweet the sound, mmm
That saved a wretch like me, oh oh oh
I was lost, but now I'm found,
Was blind but now I see-ee.

Chorus

Please Stand

OFFERTORY RESPONSE



1 Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up - on your ta - ble.
3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be - fore you.



We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.
Lord, by your grace now come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Touch these gifts, O God,

All: with your manifold blessings.

L: Touch our very lives,

All: that we may be instruments of your hope.

L: May our gifts and our lives,

All: bring your healing, love, and compassion to a world
in need. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

L: Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need. We pray, O God, for the church. Unite us with any on the margins, that the whole world recognizes that your mercy is greater than our human capacity to restrict it. God, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

L: We pray, O God, for the nations. Awaken in our leaders compassion for people who have too often felt forgotten or neglected, and inspire policy solutions that promote equity and inclusion. God, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

L: We pray, O God, for all who are in need. Accompany anyone enduring chronic illness, any who suffer in secret, and those grieving a loved one's death. Send healing for all who plead for relief from sickness or pain. God, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

L: We pray, O God, for the eradication of racial hatred. On this week when we commemorate the Emanuel Nine, we implore you to cast out the demons of white supremacy that make us believe lies about ourselves and our neighbors. God, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

L: God of all, hear now the prayers of our heart said either silently or aloud.

Here other prayers may be offered.

L: God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

L: God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

All: Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

L: God is with you.

All: **And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to God.**

L: Let us give thanks to God.

All: **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

P: *Eternal God, in the abundance of your love you have caused all things to be;*

All: **from dust and spirit you have woven our humanity;**

P: *in all our wanderings, you never cease to call us to fullness of life.*

All: **You gave us Jesus, son of Mary, the bread of life broken for the world;**

P: *he fed us and feasted with us, he healed us and suffered for us;*

All: **his dying and rising have set us free from the poverty of sin and the famine of death.**

P: *Therefore, with all whom you have made, cherished, and called, with all who hunger for your kingdom and will not rest until all your children are fed, with the broken saints and redeemed sinners of all the ages, we take up the song of your praise:*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -

est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-

san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts, that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom. Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.' In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.' As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all words can hold. Great is the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, in our eating and drinking we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ;

All: we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty in the reckless generosity of love.

P: Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more and people without number will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal.

All: We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us, using the language or translation of our hearts.

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.

FRACTION RITE

P: Here is food that satisfies, the taste of communion. Here is wine pouring free, the washing away of fear. Here is life abundant, a table of peace for all.

All: May this peace be in us and among us, a sign of hope for a world renewed.

Be Seated

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Holy Communion is open to all.
Grape juice is white, wine is red.
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.
Let an usher know if you need communion brought to you.

For walking communion:

You may come down the center aisle. Hold out your hand for the pastor to drop the wafer into, then take a cup of wine (red) or grape juice (white) from the assistant's tray, then return to your seat via the side aisles, depositing your disposable cup in the provided bowls.

For communion at your seat with pre-packaged kit:

You may come down the center aisle, take a communion kit from the assistant, and return to your seat to partake, or you may remain seated and partake of the communion kit you picked up at the entrance. The ushers will come around to collect empty kits.

COMMUNION HYMN: “Communion”

Chorus:

This is the body
This is the blood
Broken and poured out
For all of us
(And) In this communion
We share in His love
This is the body
This is the blood

Verse:

I will remember ev'rything Lord
That You've done for me
I won't take for granted the sacrifice
That set me free
I hunger and thirst for Your love
Come fill me today

Chorus

Bridge:

We hunger and thirst for Your love
And Your righteousness
We long for Your presence here Lord
Be with us again

Chorus:

This is the body
This is the blood
Broken and poured out
For all of us
(And) In this communion
We share in His love
This is the body
This is the blood

Repeat Chorus

Ending:

This is the body
This is the blood

COMMUNION HYMN: “Stay Here”

Stay here and keep watch with me
The hour has come
Stay here and keep watch with me
Watch and pray

SINGING BOWL

Please Stand

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: Creator God, bless this gift of bread with the yeast of your love.

All: Flow through this gift of wine with your life-giving grace.

P: As we receive these gifts, make us one with you through the power of your Holy Spirit.

All: Nurture our lives, that we may be loaves of your generous abundance.

P: Pour your grace into our hearts, that we may be vines of loving nourishment for one another and for a world in need of growth and strength.

All: In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

L: Loving God, in this meal you sustain the weary and heal the broken.

All: May the gift of your word made flesh, the body and blood of Christ, inspire our tongues to praise you and proclaim to the entire world the Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Be Seated

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Stand

A Story that Sends Us Out to Love and Serve

COMMISSIONING

P: Go to be fruitful in all that you do! Bring love, joy, peace, and patience to everyone you meet. Share kindness, gentleness, and generosity in every encounter.

All: In doing so, we not only live by the Spirit, we bring the Spirit with us.



CLOSING SONG: “*Every Move I Make (La-La Song)*”

Verse:

Every move I make I make in You
You make me move Jesus
Every breath I take I breathe in You

Every step I take I take in You
You are my way Jesus
Every breath I take I breathe in You

La las:

La la la la la la
La la la la la la
La la la la la la
La la la la la la

Bridge:

Waves of mercy waves of grace
Everywhere I look I see Your face
Your love has captured me
Oh my God this love how can it be

Repeat La las

Repeat Verse

Repeat Bridge

Repeat La las

Repeat La las (Clap)

Repeat La las

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve God’s people.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE