



## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(Please use the welcome pad in the blue folder at the end of the pew. Record your presence. Pass it back, noticing who is worshiping with you. When the pad has been returned, please tear off the sheet and place it in the offering plate.)*

## MINUTE FOR FAMILY MINISTRY

*Dawn Murdock*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of wisdom and power, we confess that there are times when we find it difficult to see beyond the foolishness of the cross to the sacrificial love that ended Jesus' earthly life. Help us to see that the willingness of Jesus to die condemned, betrayed and deserted was not weakness but a powerful sign of his love. He endured the cross so that we would be empowered to live lives shaped by that same self-giving love. Forgive us when we follow the ways of a world that encourages us to be self-serving instead of self-giving. Merciful God, we thank you for revealing to us the great depth of your love for the world, a love made flesh in Jesus Christ. Help us to live in accordance with that love. In the name of your Son we pray, Amen.

## PRAYERS OF SILENT AND INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: The God who calls us is the God who created us; the God who formed us is the God who forgives us. We are God's new creation. Believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

## \* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Hymnal No. 579

*Gloria Patri*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.*

**\* EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

Leader: Let us open our hearts to one another as Christ has opened his heart to us, and God will be glorified.

*People: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

(Exchange Signs of Reconciliation and the Peace of Christ with your neighbor - e.g., *“The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.”*)

Response - *“And also with you.”*)

**TIME WITH CHILDREN**

+ *Children and youth leave for their classes +*

\* HYMN 344

Christ of the Upward Way

*Sursum Corda*

**THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST LESSON**

Isaiah 9:1-4

**ANTHEM**

Toki Gong Sambil Menari

*Christian Tamaela*

*Beat the gong while dancing;*

*Play the flute while singing;*

*Thank God, praise the Lord;*

*Rejoice, hallelujah.*

(FROM PSALM 150 IN INDONESIAN)

**SECOND LESSON**

Matthew 4:12-23

**SERMON**

“Second-Career Disciples”

Rev. Richard S. Hong

**OFFERTORY**

Blessed Are You

*Emma Lou Diemer*

*Blessed are you that are poor; for yours is the kingdom of God.*

*Blessed are you that are hungry now; for you shall be filled.*

*Blessed are you that mourn now; for you shall be joyful.*

*Blessed are you that seek peace; for you shall be called the Children of God.*

*Blessed are you when men hate you, and cast you away, and speak evil of you’*

*Rejoice and be glad, for you are the salt of the earth.*

*You are the light of the world.*

*Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.*

LUKE 6: 20-23; MATTHEW 5: 3 - 16

\* THE DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God all creatures here below.*

*Praise God above, ye heavenly host.*

*Creator, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE SENDING OUT

\* HYMN 357

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

Maryton

\* BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN

POSTLUDE

Toccata

Gigout

*(Our worship ends with the conclusion of the Postlude. It is the custom of our church to remain seated. Those who wish to leave may do so.)*

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

### Isaiah 9:1-4 (NRSV)

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. <sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined. <sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. <sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

### 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (NRSV)

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: <sup>15</sup>'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— <sup>16</sup>the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.' <sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' <sup>18</sup>As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. <sup>23</sup>Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.