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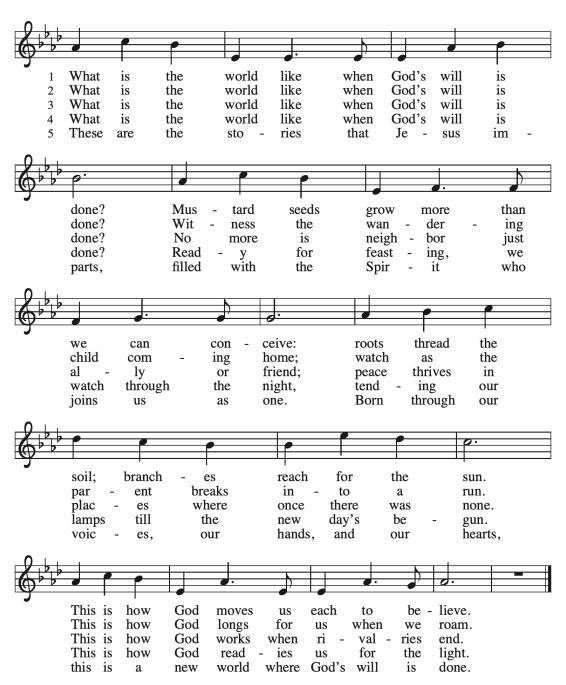
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Altar flowers are given by Kathy & Art in celebration of Calvin's birthday on the 11th!

Altar flowers are still available for September 25, October 30 and November 27. Please sign up on the chart in the Narthex.

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What Is the World Like



Dates to remember:

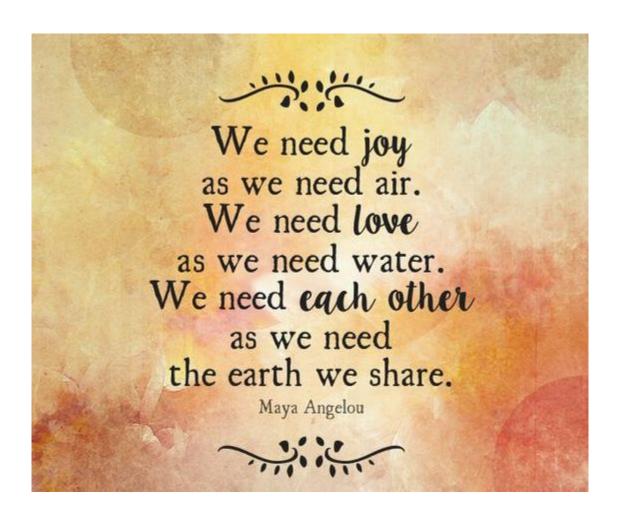
July 13~ Council Meeting

July 18~ Book Club 7pm at Nowlan's

July 23~ 7:30pm Outdoor movie~ "Soul" at Resurrection Church, 15050 Central Ave

August 13 ~ Elvis Night with the Thunderbolts

Tickets are \$6 each and reservations due by **TODAY**.





July 10, 2022

To love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind is to reflect God's mercy in responding to one's neighbor. That mercy found its most profound expression in the "gospel that has come to you"—namely the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That gospel mercy comes to us again today: at the font,

Prelude: "O Christ the Same" Erica Strojny & Tim Gockel

Welcome (Please stand as able)

Brief Order of Confession & Forgiveness:

at the table, and from the pulpit. It is very near to you.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.

- C: Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.
- P: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of

 → Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

C: Amen.

Passing of the Peace:

"During this time of Covid, please remain in your pew, but share a sign of peace with the neighbors around you"

Gathering Song: "Beneath the Tree of Life"

Refrain: Come and gather beneath the tree of life

Come and gather beneath the tree of life

Root of wisdom, branch of peace, fruit of healing and release.

Come and gather beneath the tree of life

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Kyrie

A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord,

C: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy, mercy on us all.

A: For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy, mercy on us all.

A: For your people here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word; let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy, mercy on us all.

A: Help, save and defend us, O God.

C: Amen (Congregation sings refrain)

The Prayer of the Day

C: O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(Please be seated)

The first reading is from the 30th Chapter of Deuteronomy

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Moses calls the people who are about to enter the promised land to renew the covenant God made with their ancestors. Through this covenant God gives life and asks for obedience. God's commandment is neither burdensome nor too far off, but dwells in the people's hearts.

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Lord's Prayer: (To Be Sung)

C: 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.

Blessing

P: The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn:

"My Peace"

My peace I give unto you
It's a peace that the world cannot give
It's a peace that the world cannot understand
Peace to know, peace to live
My peace I give unto you

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

You created the earth with seeds sprouting up to new life. We pray for the flourishing of fruit trees and orchards, vines and bushes. Prosper the work of those who plant, tend, harvest, and gather. God of grace, hear our prayer.

Show us your ways and teach us your paths of justice and love. Raise up community and national leaders to challenge and dismantle societal structures that perpetuate ethnic, racial, and religious profiling and discrimination. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Come near to all in need. Orchestrate kindness in the face of cruelty, hope where there is despair, love in the face of neglect, comfort where there is death, and healing in illness (*especially*). God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Turn this community toward neighbors in need. Bring aid and support to those who are poor, beaten down, abused, forgotten, silenced, or avoided. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We give thanks for the saints who revealed your love and mercy in this life. Inspired by their witness, strengthen us to live in hope. God of grace, hear our prayer.

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. **Amen.**

(Please stand as able)

Offertory Prayer

C: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fil us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.

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⁹The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, ¹⁰when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

¹¹Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹²It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹³Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹⁴No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

L: Word of God. Word of Life. C: Thanks be to God.

Song: "Praise and Thanksgiving" Red book #689

The second reading is from the 1st Chapter of Colossians

Second Reading: Colossians 1:1-14

The letter to the Colossians was written to warn its readers of various false teachings. The first part of the letter is an expression of thanks for the faith, hope, and love that mark this community, including a prayer for strength and courage.

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ²To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

³In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, ⁸and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully

pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

L: Word of God. Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.** (*Please stand as able*)

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
Cantor sings verse

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 10th Chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading: Luke 10:25-37

Jesus is challenged to explain what is involved in obeying the greatest commandment. He tells a parable rich in surprises: those expected to show pity display hard hearts while the lowly give and receive unexpected and lavish mercy.

²⁵Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

²⁹But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you

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spend.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ. (Please be seated)

Sermon

(Please stand as able)

Sermon Hymn: "What is the World Like" see page 9

Apostle's Creed

C: 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

(Please be seated)

Prayers of Intercession

P: United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

Good and gracious God, you have placed your word of love in the heart of your church. Fill your church with compassion, that we bear the fruit of your healing mercy to a broken world. God of grace,

hear our prayer.