

Worship Guide – Sunday, January 29, 2023 10:45 am

Gathering Song: “I Was Glad” by Jay Beech

Refrain

I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”
I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

Called from ev’ry nation, called from ev’ry race,
Gathered here for worship in this holy place;
God is here among us, lift your hearts and sing,
Make the walls and rafters ring. *Refrain*

Words that must be spoken, grace that must be heard,
Mercy and forgiveness from God’s holy word,
Here will be repeated; peace to all proclaimed,
Shouted out in Jesus’ name. *Refrain*

Here the poor are welcomed, here the lost are claimed.
Broken lives are mended, deepest fears are named.
Here the wise are children and the weak are strong.
Here, in Christ, we all belong. *Refrain*

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Announcements and Greeting

Gathering Song: “What Does the Lord Require of You?”

Congregation Part I

What does the Lord require of you?
What does the Lord require of you? (repeat 2 more times)

Celebration Part II

Justice, kindness,
walk humbly with your God.

Celebration Part III

To seek justice and love kindness
and walk humbly with your God.

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Greeting

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.**

Kyrie – ELW 151

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.

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Prayer of the Day

Holy God, you promise your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice and peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading: Micah 6:1-8

Word of God, word of life. ***Thanks be to God.***

PrayGround

Welcoming the Gospel – ELW 174

Alleluia, alleluia.

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Gospel – Matthew 5:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 5th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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

Sermon – Eric Hassebrock

Song of the Day: “When the Poor Ones” ELW 725

- 1 When the poor ones, who have nothing, still are giving;
when the thirsty pass the cup, water to share;
when the wounded offer others strength and healing:

Refrain

We see God, here by our side, walking our way;
we see God, here by our side, walking our way.

2 When compassion gives the suff'ring consolation;
when expecting brings to birth hope that was lost;
when we choose love, not the hatred
all around us: *Refrain*

3 When our spirits, like a chalice, brim with gladness;
when our voices, full and clear, sing out the truth;
when our longings, free from envy, seek the humble: *Refrain*

4 When the goodness poured from heaven fills our dwellings;
when the nations work to change war into peace;
when the stranger is accepted as our neighbor: *Refrain*

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And he will come 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.

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Prayer Song: “Hear Our Prayer” ELW 178

Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:
peace to all people, hope for each soul.

God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

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Prayers of the People

L: Lord in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

Prayer Song: “Hear Our Prayer” ELW 178

Noisy Offering and Offering of Music: Beth Fritz, piano

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Offertory: “We Are an Offering” ELW 692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,

We lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands,

Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are,

All that we hope to be,

We give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,

We lift our lives up to you:

We are an offering, we are an offering.

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Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

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

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen**

Hymn: "Immortal, Invisible" T. Walker

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great Name we praise!
Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above,
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

Who can compare? Who else can stand?
Immortal, invisible, God only wise, Thy great name we praise!

Great Father of glory, our Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight.
All praise we would render, O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee.

Who can compare? Who else can stand?
Immortal, invisible, God only wise, Thy great name we praise!

Who can compare? Who else can stand?
Unrivaled, unequalled, and matchless in pow'r,
Thy great name we praise!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
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Dismissal

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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