

Worship Guide – Sunday, March 19, 2023 10:45 am

Gathering Song: “Show Me Your Ways” - Russell Fragar

Show me Your ways
That I may walk with You
Show me Your ways
I put my hope in You

The cry of my heart is to love You more
To live with the touch of Your hand
Stronger each day
Show me Your ways (Repeat)

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Announcements and Greeting

To prepare for this service, please bring the following items to the place where you will be participating in worship:

- A plate with bread on it. Cover the bread with a napkin or cloth.
- A cup or glass with wine or grape juice. You may have small cups for each of the people who will be participating. You may pour from the one cup into the many cups later during the service.
- A heart, soul and mind open to the love of God in Christ Jesus.

Gathering Song

“Your Grace is Enough”

Great is Your faithfulness, oh God.
You wrestle with the sinner's heart,
You lead us by still waters into mercy,
And nothing can keep us apart.

So, remember Your people,
Remember Your children,
Remember Your promise, oh God.
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough for me.

Great is Your love and justice, oh God.
You use the weak to lead the strong,
You lead us in the song of Your salvation,
And all Your people sing along.

So remember Your people,
Remember Your children,
Remember Your promise, oh God.
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough for me.

Your grace is enough,
Heaven reaching down to us.
Your grace is enough for me.
God, I see Your grace is enough;
I'm covered in Your love.
Your grace is enough for me, for me.

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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

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Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.
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Prayer of the Day

Hear our prayers, Lord Christ, and come to us when we call. Your gracious life and death, brought light into the darkness of our hearts. Anoint us with your Spirit, that we may be well. Amen.

PrayGround

Welcoming the Gospel

Create in me a clean and righteous heart, O God,
Put a willing spirit in my soul.
Let me sing with joy anew
The salvation found in you,
Singing praise to you who made me whole.

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Gospel – John 9: 1-41

The Holy Gospel according to John the 9th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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

Sermon – Susan Haukaas

Song of the Day: “Open My Eyes- Marty Haugen ” Handout

Refrain

Open my eyes, O God, help me to see, break through the shadows, heal
the blindness in me.

Come, dawn on my darkness, make me holy and wise, O Light of the
world, come, open my eyes.

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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.

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**Noisy Offering and Offering of Music: “Look Down” Natalie Sleeth –
Celebration**

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Noisy offerings (coins collected in a metal bucket or clean empty food can) support the ministries of the Eastern North Dakota Synod. These ministries include Red Willow Bible Camp, Park River Bible Camp, Christus Rex campus ministry at UND, Crossroads campus ministry at NDSU, Dacotah O’Yate Lutheran Church on the Spirit Lake Reservation, The Way (Native American Christian Ministry), South Sudan Lutheran Church in Fargo, and our partnership with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Thank you for your generosity.

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

God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. Amen

Communion

At this time, please take the bread you have and uncover it.
Do the same with the wine/grape juice and pour it into the cup you will use.
Gathered together into the one body of Christ from the many places where we experience this holy time of worship, we come to the Lord’s table:

Words of Institution

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**

Distribution

At this time, you may eat the bread and drink the wine, the body and blood of Christ, trusting in faith that Christ is with you.

If you are with other people, you may give them bread and the wine to eat and drink and then receive these gifts of God for yourself.

If you are not partaking in the meal at this time, receive this blessing: Jesus loves you. This I know.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

Grant us peace, grant us your peace.

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Communion Song: “Open the Eyes of My Heart”

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see You, I want to see You. (Repeat)

To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your pow’r and love as we sing, “Holy, holy, holy.”

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see You, I want to see You. (Repeat)

To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your pow’r and love as we sing, “Holy, holy, holy.”

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy. I want to see You. (Repeat)

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Communion Song: “Taste and See” ELW 493

Refrain

Taste and see, taste and see
the goodness of the Lord.

Oh, taste and see, taste and see
the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times.
Praise shall always be on my lips;
my soul shall glory in the Lord;
for God has been so good to me. *Refrain*

- 2 Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us all praise God's name.
I called the Lord, who answered me;
from all my troubles I was set free. *Refrain*

- 3 Worship the Lord, all you people.
You'll want for nothing if you ask.
Taste and see that the Lord is good;
in God we need put all our trust. *Refrain*

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Prayer After Communion

Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love. 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**

Sending Song: “: “Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone”

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found,
Was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
the sun forbear to shine
But God, who call'd me here below,
Will be forever mine.

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve in love. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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