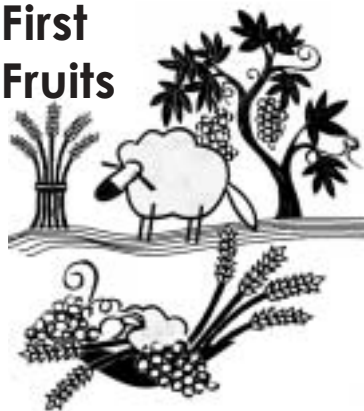


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We have **gluten-free wafers** available: Please make your request known at the altar rail.

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Following the service we welcome everyone for coffee and refreshments in Kirk Hall, located on the first floor. Turn right after passing through the arch off the passageway between the buildings.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Choraleprelude on Vom Himmel hoch BWV738

J.S. Bach

[please stand when the chimes sound]

GATHERING HYMN

Christ For the World We Sing!

537, vs. 1-3

AD *Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring with loving zeal;
the poor, and them that mourn, the faint and overborne,
sin-sick and sorrow-worn, whom Christ doth heal.*

*Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring with fervent prayer;
the wayward and the lost, by restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost from dark despair.*

*Christ for the world we sing! The world to Christ we bring with one accord;
with us the work to share, with us reproach to dare,
with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[please be seated]

WITNESS TALK

OPENING ACCLAMATION [**P** Priest/**C** Congregation]

[please stand]

- P** Blessed are you, holy and living One.
- C** **You come to your people and set them free.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray... Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
- C** **Amen.**

WORD OF GOD

THE READINGS: Isaiah 40:25–31 • Psalm 147:1–12, 21c • 1 Corinthians 9:19–23 • Mark 1:29–39
[please be seated]

The First Reading:

📖 *The First Reading is taken from Isaiah, chapter 40...*

To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God?" Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

📖 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

🗣️ **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm:

📖 *We will read responsively from Psalm 147...*

📖 Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God!
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

🗣️ **The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; he gathers the exiles of Israel.**

📖 He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

🗣️ **He counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names.**

📖 Great is our LORD and mighty in power; there is no limit to his wisdom.

🗣️ **The LORD lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground.**

📖 Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make music to our God upon the harp.

🗣️ **He covers the heavens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth;**

📖 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains and green plants to serve mankind.

🗣️ **He provides food for flocks and herds and for the young ravens when they cry.**

📖 He is not impressed by the might of a horse;
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;

🗣️ **But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who await his gracious favor. Hallelujah!**

The Second Reading:

📖 *The Second Reading is taken from 1 Corinthians, chapter 9...*

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

📖 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

📢 **Thanks be to God.**

ACCLAMATION

[please stand]

Epiphany Alleluia

sing two times



THE GOSPEL: Mark 1:29–39

📖 The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

📢 **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

📖 Jesus left the synagogue at Capernaum, and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

📢 **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

[please be seated]

SERMON

World in Need

Becky Robbins-Penniman

SERMON HYMN

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

[please stand]

A1 *I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?*

Refrain *Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart.*

*I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? Refrain*

*I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? Refrain*

THE NICENE CREED

A1 **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the
Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not
made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the
Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was
crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third
day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to
judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken
through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We
acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection
of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: *[The Leader and People pray responsively]*

[please stand, kneel, or sit, as you choose]

℣ Lord God, giver of all good, we thank you for the earth and all that is in it, on it, and around it. We thank you for vineyards and fields that give us drink and food; we thank you for flocks and herds that give us clothing and meat. Grant us the grace to care for your creation with the same love with which you care for us. Creating God,

☩ **Bless our good land.**

℣ Lord God, giver of all good, we thank you for the capacity to think, and love, and create with our minds, our hearts and our hands. We ask you to guide the leaders of this land and all the nations, especially those who are in political campaigns across the country, that the our tremendous human abilities may be used to heal, bless, unite and liberate all people... Creating God,

☩ **Bless those who govern us, guide us and challenge us to be our best.**

℣ Lord God, giver of all good, we thank you for the opportunities to labor, love and give. Help us to be generous with our gifts and abilities, using them to answer the prayers of those who are sick, or suffering, or who need a friend. We pray especially for those who have asked for our prayers, *[read the handwritten names in the notebook]*, and for those whom we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts... Creating God,

☩ **Bless us to be an offering to the world.**

℣ Lord God, giver of all good, we thank you for the universal church, and for all those around the globe who call you Savior. We pray for this community and our church, especially Katharine, our Presiding Bishop; Dabney, our Bishop; Julio, Bishop of our companion diocese of the Dominican Republic; Becky, our Rector; for the following churches in the Clearwater Deanery: St. Alfred's, Palm Harbor; Church of the Holy Spirit, Safety Harbor; St. Anne of Grace, Seminole. We give thanks for the prophets you send who call us to obedience, the shepherds you send who show us Christlike love, the teachers you send who enlighten our lives, and the healers you send who restore our spirits. Creating God,

☩ **Bless us so that our lives are made new.**

℣ Lord God, giver of all good, we thank you for the lives of all those who have gone before us, especially those who have served your cause with courage and selflessness, *[and...read handwritten names from the notebook]*. Grant all the departed continual growth in your love and service. Creating God,

☩ **Bless us with humble trust in you, until our days are done.**

Ⓐ Lord God, giver of all good, we thank you for all the blessings of this life; for those who are our guests for the first time this morning, for the paradise in which we live, and most of all for your Son, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us and all creation. Creating God,

Ⓒ **Bless us with the grace to give ourselves to others the same way Jesus gives himself to us.**

Ⓐ Lord God, giver of all good, you know our needs before we ask; help us to seek your will in all that we think, say and do, so that day by day we may be more and more like that which you originally dreamed we would become.

Ⓒ **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

[please stand or kneel, as you choose]

Ⓐ Let us confess our sins to God.

Ⓐ **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Ⓐ Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Ⓒ **Amen.**

PRAYERS AND BLESSINGS

[Those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, or special occasions may receive an individual blessing.]

THE GREETING OF PEACE

[please stand]

Ⓐ The peace of Christ be always with you.

Ⓒ **And also with you.** *(All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.)*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Bill Roen

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God by
Chris and Michelle Schombs in thanksgiving for their 25 years of marriage.*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

P Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts with a cheerful heart.

OFFERTORY

Ave Verum

Edward Elgar

[please be seated]

PRESENTATION HYMN

As Those of Old

705, vs. 1

[please stand]

A *As those of old their first fruits brought of vineyard, flock, and field to God, the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield; so we today our first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land, of farm and market, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I: Enriching Our Worship

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

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C ***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

P Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we

violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

C Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

P Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.



P And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

A1 **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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

- Ⓟ Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
- Ⓞ **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

- Ⓟ Holy Gifts for God's holy people. Happy are we who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

[You may be seated. All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the directions of the usher, who will let you know when it's your turn to go to the altar rail. You may stand or kneel. To receive, hold your hands in front of you, one palm over the other. The priest will place a wafer there. You may either consume it immediately, and then sip from the cup of wine when it comes to you, or, you may wait and dip the wafer into the wine. When you are finished, please return to your seat by the side aisle.]

COMMUNION HYMN

O God of Every Nation

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[please remain seated]

- Ⓞ **O God of every nation, of every, race and land,
redeem the whole creation with your almighty hand;
where hate and fear divide us and bitter threats are hurled,
in love and mercy guide us and heal our strife-torn world.**

***From search for wealth and power and scorn of truth and right,
from trust in bombs that shower destruction through the night,
from pride of race and nation and blindness to your way,
deliver every nation, eternal God, we pray!***

***Lord, strengthen all who labor that we may find release
from fear of rattling saber, from dread of war's increase;
when hope and courage falter, your still small voice be heard;
with faith that none can alter, your servants undergird.***

***Keep bright in us the vision of days when war shall cease,
when hatred and division give way to love and peace,
till dawns the morning glorious when truth and justice reign
and Christ shall rule victorious o'er all the world's domain.***

COMMUNION HYMN

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

***Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.***

***Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,
by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.***

***As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness dawn upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.***

***Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go,
to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show;
hope and health, goodwill and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give,
that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.***

COMMUNION HYMN

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

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[if needed]

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

[please stand or kneel, as you choose]

P Let us pray...

C **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

[please stand]

P Wherever in God's creation you may be this coming week, farm and market, shop and home, near and far, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you with the divine wealth of abundant generosity, infinite grace, and utter joy.

C **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

AD ***The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.***

***We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free;
where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see.***

***We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed
and, all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.***

***Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.***

THE DISMISSAL

P As we go out into our good land, let us bless the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

Fugue on Vom Himmel hoch BWV700

J.S. Bach

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