

# *Lord's Day Service of Divine Worship*

*Sunday, August 25th 2024*

*11:00am*

## *God Calls Us Into His Holy Presence*

### **The Prayer of Preparation** *(for individual use before worship)*

*"O Lord our God, pour out Your Holy Spirit and lift our hearts and voices to worship You gladly, in spirit and in truth, who is God alone: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen"*

### **The Chiming of the Hour, the Words of Welcome, and Passing of the Peace**

*The peace of our Lord be with you!*

***And also with you!***

### **The Trinity Chime, the Prayer of Invocation, and Prelude**

#### **\*The Call to Worship** *from Psalm 44:8*

People of God, lift up your hearts:

**We lift them to the Lord!**

In You, O God, we make our boast all day long!

**And we praise Your name forever!**

#### **\*The Opening Hymn** #54 *"Make a Joyful Noise to God"*

### **The Opening Prayer of Adoration**

...who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, **one God now and forever.**

**Amen.**

### **The Choral Introit** *"As Dew Falls Gently at Dawn"*

## *God Convicts, Assures, and Restores Us*

### **The Confession of Our Sins**

**Most holy and faithful God, what we can hide from others and from ourselves, we cannot hide from You. We have sinned against You in the wrongs we have done, and the good things we have left undone. We have broken our covenant with You, we have ignored Your commands, we have forsaken Your ways. O Lord, have mercy on us for we are sinners and we are burdened. Will You grant us Your love, and make us whole? Will You cleanse our impure hearts? Will You take away our shame? Will You lead us anew in the way of faithfulness, through Christ our Lord?...*(continue in silent confession)***

### **The Gospel Promise of God's Forgiveness** *from Matthew 11:28-29*

**"Come to Me all you who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble of heart, and you will find rest for your souls." I declare to you, in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven, and you are made new! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

### **The Sung Acclamation** #634 *"To God Be the Glory"*

**To God be the glory; great things He has done! So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, who yield-ed His life and a-tone-ment for sin, and o-pened the life-gate that all may go in. *Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the peo-ple re-joice! O come to the Fa-ther through Jesus the Son, and give Him the glo-ry: great things He has done!***

### **The Call to the Christ-Life** *from Micah 6:8*

Dear friends, God has shown us what is good. And what does our God require of us? **To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with Him, our God!**

### **\*The Sung Response** *The Gloria Patri (located on Pew Card)*

### **\*The Affirmation of Our Christian Faith** *The Apostles Creed (located on Pew Card)*

### **The Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes**

**\*The Sung Response of Gratitude and Praise** *The Doxology (located on Pew Card)*

**\*The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

### *God Speaks and Seals His Promises in His Word*

**The Gospel Lesson** *Matthew 9:9-13*

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**\*The Sung Response** #450 *"Be Thou My Vision" (v. 1)*

**Be Thou my vi-sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me save that  
Thou art; Thou my best thought, by day or by night, wak-ing or sleep-ing, Thy  
pre-sence my light.**

**The Sermon** *"Matthew (32): The King Who Calls the Least Expected"*

**\*The Hymn of Response** #415 *"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"*

**The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

### *God Sends Us Forth in Loving Witness and Service*

**\*The Closing Hymn** #418 *"Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling"*

**\*The Benediction**

**\*The Congregational Benediction** #748 *"Go with Us, Lord"*

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and ev-ery com-ing day, that  
in Your Spir-it strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.**