

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

\*All may stand as able

Liturgist: David Perry

## Chiming of the Hour

## Welcome and Announcements

David Perry

## Prelude

*Holy Manna*

arr. David Kidwell

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

David Perry

One: I am the bread of life. Come to me and never be hungry.

Many: **We gather with hands that are open –ready, waiting, yearning for the manna of mercy with the dawn of the day.**

One: I am the vine, you are the branches. Abide in me as I abide in you.

Many: **We gather with arms that are open –ready, waiting, to be enfolded in the family's embrace at the table of our Lord.**

One: With hands lifted to bless and break, with arms stretched-wide in welcome; our Lord bids us "come".

Many: **We gather in the sacred name of the Triune God, to find rest in Christ, the Bread, the Vine.**

\* HYMN 2 *Come, Thou Almighty King* ITALIAN HYMN

## \* INVOCATION (Unison)

deNay Kirkpatrick

God of all glory, on this first day you began creation, bringing light out of darkness. On this first day you began your new creation raising Jesus Christ from the darkness of death. On this Lord's Day grant that we, the people you create by water and the Spirit, may be joined with all your worlds in praising you for your great glory. Through Jesus Christ, in union with the Holy Spirit, we praise you now and forever. Amen.

## A MOMENT WITH THE CHILDREN

*Children may choose to go to Junior Church after Children's Sermon*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God, you set before us the bounty of creation:  
plants yielding seed and trees that bear fruit.

The harvest is plentiful, but we see only scarcity.

So, we gather more than we need – wasting your gifts –  
until your provision no longer satisfies the world's hunger.

God, you set before us a lavish feast:  
bread from heaven, wine to spare – none shall go wanting!

There is plenty, but we see only a vast need.

So, we turn others away from tables prepared for all,  
for we are convinced there is not room for everyone.

God, you set before us bread broken and blessed –  
in sanctuaries, in soup kitchens: Take and eat! Taste and see!

You offer extraordinary gifts, but we see only the ordinary.

So, time and again, we fail to recognize you,  
in the servant at the table, in the stranger who sits beside us.

God, have mercy upon us.

Open our eyes, that we might see as you see;  
open our hands, that we might give as you give;  
open our hearts, that we might love as you love  
until all creation enjoys the abundance you provide.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## \* GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

David Perry

## FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

## SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 14:25-33

## SERMON

*"My Friend Derek"*

deNay Kirkpatrick

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

## \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

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 and the Son,  
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.

**WORSHIP OF GOD WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Offertory      *Sheep May Safely Graze*      J. S. Bach  
from the Cantata, BWV 208

**\* THE DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him all creatures here below;  
praise him above ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION**      deNay Kirkpatrick

**PARTAKING OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**COMMUNION HYMN 521**      *In Remembrance of Me*      RED

**INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

**PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**One:      The Lord be with you**  
**Many:      And also with you**  
**One:      Lift up your hearts**  
**Many:      We lift them to the Lord**  
**One:      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God**  
**Many:      It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;**  
**and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**  
**For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**SHARING OF THE BREAD**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**SENDING OUT OF GOD’S PEOPLE**

**\* CLOSING HYMN 547**      *Go, My Children,  
with My Blessing*      AR HYD Y NOS

**\* CHARGE AND BLESSING**      deNay Kirkpatrick

**\* CHORAL BENEDICTION**      *Go with Us, Lord*      TALLIS’ CANON

**\* Postlude**      *Psalms of Glory*      William Barnett

***Welcome deNay Kirkpatrick***

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Guest Minister*

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and equipped to serve God  
and each other in meaningful ways.**