

June 26, 2022 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:45 a.m.

Gathering those who fear they are not enough, so we may experience grace, wholeness, and renewal as God's beloved.



PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

I didn't go to religion to make me happy. I always knew a bottle of Port would do that. If you want a religion to make you feel really comfortable, I certainly don't recommend Christianity.

- C.S. Lewis

We Gather to Praise God

PRELUDE

Day by Day

Craig Courtney (b. 1948)

RINGING OF THE BELL AND WELCOME

* CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 100

ONE: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

ALL: Worship the LORD with gladness;

come into God's presence with singing.

ONE: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving and courts with praise.

ALL: Give thanks to the LORD, bless God's holy name.

* **H**YMN **2**

Come, Thou Almighty King

DRAW NEAR TO GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE

Jesus, you show us the face of God, and call us to follow you as disciples. But very often, we choose to be believers and not disciples.

We shy away from your call, deeming it too hard, too demanding.

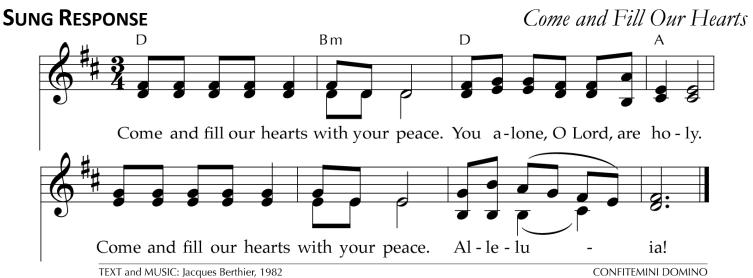
We don't want faith to get in the way of our lives.

Lord of love, take away our fear and hesitation.

Help us see your call as the way to full and abundant life.

Fill us with your Spirit, that we may live as disciples and share your love with the world.

Silence for personal reflection

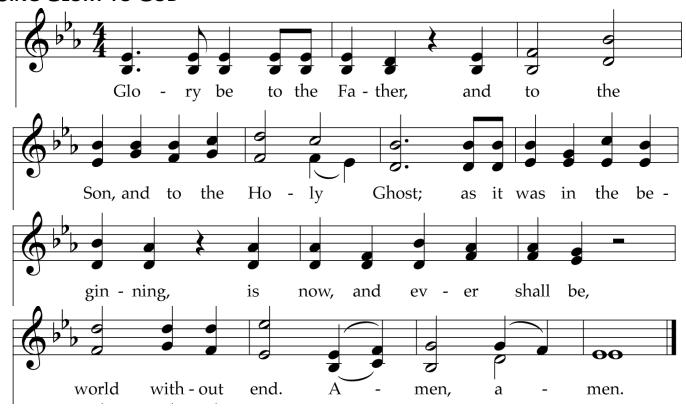


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RECEIVE GOD'S LOVE, GRACE, AND PEACE

* SING GLORY TO GOD



* Passing the Peace

ONE: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

We Listen for God's Word

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (sung twice)



TEXT: Kenyan; trans. Howard S. Olson, 1987 MUSIC: Kenyan; arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1987 English Trans. © 1987 Lutheran Theological College, Makumira (admin. Augsburg Fortress) Music Arr. © 1987 Austin C. Lovelace (admin. Augsburg Fortress) NENO LAKE MUNGU 6.4.6.4 with refrain **FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON**

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

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ONE: The Word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

WORD IN MUSIC

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

arr. Arthur Henry Mann (1850-1929)

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 9:51-62

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ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

LOTTERY TICKET FAITH

James Sledge

We Respond to God's Word

* HYMN 720 Jesus Calls Us

* RESPONSE OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Jenny Lansbury

ONE: Lord in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

The Prayers of the People are offered on behalf of and with the congregation, usually by an elder currently serving on Session (governing council) or other members of the congregation.

Prayer Concerns

Tim Stufft, recovering from a virus

Brenda Buchly, after a recent hospitalization

Alison Miller and family on the death of Sabra Staley on May 30

Neill Ferill, brother of Allison Stiller, in treatment for a brain tumor

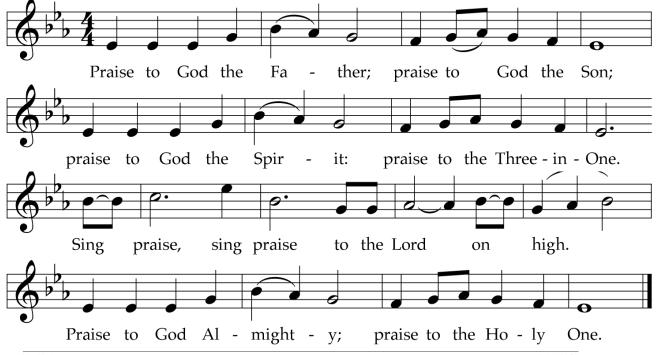
Continued Prayers

Kris Barth, Sarah Barth, Ally Campbell, Allan Capon, Steve Graff, Mike Hugo, Elina Kent, Nora Long, Ruth Mileham, Bob Moore, Sharane Patek, Cort Peret, Ken Waugh, Christa Young

Prayer requests can be sent to Pastor James at prayers@fallschurchpresby.org

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

* Doxology



* Prayer of Thanksgiving and 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.

* HYMN 757

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

- * OUR LIFE TOGETHER AS THE BODY OF CHRIST
- * CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho

arr. Mark Hayes (contemporary)

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Supporting us in Worship

Worship Leader Jenny Lansbury

Ushers Chuck Hobbie, Young Hobbie

Music Chancel Choir Audio/Video Diane Maloney

A Warm Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. Please sign the red friendship pad which can be found at the end of the pew, then pass the pad along to your neighbor. If you would like to learn more about our family of faith, please visit www.fallschurchpresby.org.

Masks in Worship

Masks are strongly recommended but no longer required in worship. Please consider those who are immune compromised or unable to be vaccinated and continue to mask up.

Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in our services. Child care is available for **children up to age 4 in** Room 201. Parents may drop off and pick up children throughout this time. Godly Play for older children is on hiatus for the summer.

Deviled Eggs and Donuts Coffee Hour

Please join us for deviled eggs, donuts, and coffee in the parlor immediately following worship. Hosted by Myra Bridgforth, Anne Mugler, and Kathy Chavez.

Sermon Talkback

Sermon Talkback begins today. Ever wanted to ask a question about a sermon? Have a comment or a thought that you'd like to share? You are invited to join the pastors for a conversation around the sermon and the worship service. Sermon Talkback will meet in the library at 9:30 a.m. and again at noon.

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The Rev. James Sledge, Pastor
The Rev. Megan Klose, Associate Pastor
Diane Maloney, Director of Spiritual Growth and Community Engagement
David Schoonover, Acting Director of Music
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