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# A Holy Communion Service

August 6, 2023 11:00 A.M.



The Rev. Dr. Richard Allen Farmer, Pastor-Teacher

Lay Leader: Bill Small Worship Leader: Susan Small Pianist: Kristi Helfen Drums: Ben Wilkinson Percussion: Sam Jones

### COMMUNITY NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

+CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 40: 25-26a, 28

Leader: "To whom will you compare me? Or who is my

equal?" says the Holy One.

All: Lift your eyes and look to the heavens: Who

created all these?

Leader: Do you not know? Have you not heard?

All: The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the

ends of the earth.

Leader: He will not grow tired or weary, and His

understanding no one can fathom.

All: Praise the Lord!

OPENING HYMN Hymn No. 248

And Can It Be That I Should Gain ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL

#### +PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Almighty God, You love us, but we have not loved You. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as You come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to You, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our redeemer.

### +ASSURANCE OF PARDON Charles Wiley

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

#### OFFERING OF PRAISE

Jesus, You Are Worthy No Higher Calling +PASTORAL PRAYER

Charles Wiley

+APOSTLE'S CREED

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS** 

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

#### GRATEFUL GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please remember the Samaritan Fund Ministry to non-members in distress in your giving this week. Text and online giving available. See the website for information.

OFFERTORY Nearer, My God, to Thee Kristi Helfen Mason/Tornquist

OFFERTORY RESPONSE Yes, Lord, Yes

#### +SCRIPTURE READING

If you are able, please stand for the reading of the Word of God.

Isaiah 55:1-13

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord Response: Thanks be to God

SERMON Rev. Charles Wiley

"Come, All"

MOMENT OF REFLECTION/CALL TO COMMITMENT

COMMUNION SONG Come to the Water SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

CLOSING HYMN Hymn No. 439

He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought!

BENEDICTION People: Amen

POSTLUDE Praise the Lord? Ye Heavens, Adore Him - Prichard/Bozard

+No entry at this time.

# Hymn= Hymns for the Living Church. (All music and words approved by CCLI License No. 58738) SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts.

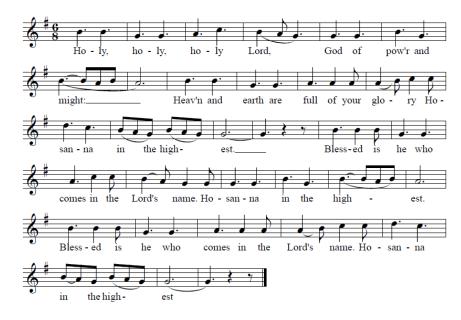
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

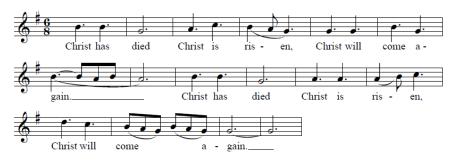
Holy God, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, with joy we praise you and give thanks to your name. . .

Therefore, we lift our hearts in joyful praise, joining our voices with choirs of angels, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:



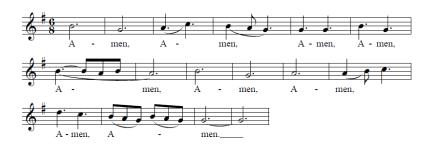
We praise you, most holy God, for sending your only Son to live among us, sharing our joy and sorrow. . . .

As you raised our Lord from death and call us with him from death to life, we give ourselves to you to live for him in joy and grateful praise.



Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine. . ..

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, forever and ever.



#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**OPENING HYMN** 

Hymn No.248

# AND CAN IT BE THAT I SHOULD GAIN

And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

### Refrain:

Amazing love! how can it be That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me.

'Tis mystery all! Th'Immortal dies!
Who can explore His strange design?
In vain the firstborn seraph tries
To sound the depths of love divine!
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,
Let angel minds inquire no more. (Refrain)

He left His Father's throne above, So free, so infinite His grace; Emptied Himself of all but love, And bled for Adam's helpless race; 'Tis mercy all, immense and free; For, O my God, it found out me. (Refrain)

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth and followed Thee. (Refrain)

No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.
(Refrain) Amen.

Charles Wesley

## **JESUS, YOU ARE WORTHY**

### Chorus:

Jesus, You are worthy of all the honor! Jesus, You are worthy of all praise! Jesus, You are worthy of all the honor! Worthy of honor and praise! (Repeat)

May every word honor You.
May every thought worship You.
May every deed show the world,
You are worthy, worthy, worthy!
You are worthy, worthy,
Worthy of all praise and glory!

### Chorus

May our lives honor You.
May our hearts worship You.
May every day show the world,
You are worthy, worthy, worthy!
You are worthy, worthy,
Worthy of all praise and glory! (Chorus)

# **NO HIGHER CALLING**

Down at Your feet, Oh Lord, Is the most high place. In Your presence, Lord, I seek Your face, I seek Your face.

Chorus
There is no higher calling,
No greater honor
Than to bow and kneel before Your throne.
I'm amazed at Your glory,
Embraced by Your mercy,
Oh Lord, I live to worship You.

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#### OFFERTORY RESPONSE

# YES, LORD, YES

I'll say yes, Lord, yes to Your will and to Your way. I'll say yes, Lord, yes; I will trust You and obey. When Your Spirit speaks to me, With my whole heart I'll agree, And my answer will be yes, Lord, yes.

Lynn Keesecker

#### **COMMUNION SONG**

# **COME TO THE WATER**

O let all who thirst, let them come to the water. And let all who have nothing, Let them come to the Lord; Without money, without price. Why should you pay the price, Except for the Lord?

And let all who seek, let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing,
Let them come to the Lord;
Without money, without strife.
Why should you spend your life,
Except for the Lord?

And let all who toil, let them come to the water.
And let all who are weary,
Let them come to the Lord:
All who labor without rest.
How can your soul find rest,
Except for the Lord?

And let all the poor, let them come to the water. Bring the ones who are laden, Bring them all to the Lord: Bring the children without might. Easy the load and light: Come to the Lord.

John B. Foley, S.J.

# HE LEADETH ME,O BLESSED THOUGHT

He leadeth me, O blessed thought! O words with heav'nly comfort fraught! Whate'er I do, where'er I be, Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

### Refrain:

He leadeth me! By His own hand He leadeth me! His faithful foll'wer I would be, For by His hand He leadeth me.

Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom, Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom, By waters still, o'er troubled sea, Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me. (Refrain)

Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine, Nor ever murmur nor repine; Content, whatever lot I see, Since 'tis my God that leadeth me. (Refrain)

And when my task on earth is done, When by Thy grace the vict'ry's won, E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, Since God through Jordan leadeth me. (Refrain)

Joseph H. Gilmore