



*Whoever does not carry the cross and  
follow me cannot be my disciple.  
Luke 14:27*

**September 4, 2016**

*The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## **Celebration of Worship**

\* If you are able, please stand.

### **Prelude**

Partita on *Houston*: Theme

John A. Behnke (b. 1953)

Matthew Webb, organ

### \* **Call to Worship** (*responsively*)

The Reverend Dr. David Smazik

Leader: O Lord, search us and know us;

**People: we praise you, O God, our Maker.**

Leader: You are the potter, we are the clay;

**People: we are the work of your hands.**

### \* **Hymn 744**

Arise, Your Light Is Come

*Festal Song*

### **Confession and Pardon**

The Reverend Sarah Green

#### **Prayer of Confession** (*unison*)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we are; and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and labor for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

**Kyrie: Hymn 577**

Kyrie Eleison

*Kyrie Eleison*

**Silent Prayer**

**Assurance of Pardon** (*responsively*)

Leader: The Lord is compassionate and gracious;  
slow to anger, abounding in love.

**People: God does not treat us as our sins deserve or  
repay us according to our iniquities.**

Leader: For as high as the heaven are above the earth, so great is God's love.

**People: As far as the east is from the west, so far has  
God removed our transgressions from us.**

**\* Response: Hymn 582, v1**                      Glory to God                      *Glory to God*

**\* Passing of the Peace**

**A Time for Young Christians**                      Rev. Smazik

**Prayer for Illumination** (*unison*)

**Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that  
comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that  
it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus  
Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.**

**First Scripture Reading:**                      Psalm 139:1-6; 13-18                      (Old Testament, page 545)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Second Scripture Reading:**                      Luke 14:25-33                      (New Testament, page 73)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**                      "Work Zone"                      Rev. Smazik

**\* Hymn 223**                      When I Survey the Wondrous Cross                      *Hamburg*

**Greeting/Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God**

*(Please sign and pass the friendship pad, found in the pew, to the person next to you. Offering envelopes and prayer request cards are located in the pew pockets for your convenience. Cards will be collected with the offering. Offerings can also be made online through our website.)*

## Offertory

Partita on *Houston*: Cantabile

Matthew Webb, organ

John A. Behnke

## \* Doxology 609

*Lasst uns Erfreuen*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
praise God all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

## \* Prayer of Dedication

### Sacrament of Communion

#### Invitation to the Table

#### Great Prayer of 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.**

*The leader continues...*

...Therefore with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven,  
we worship and adore your glorious name, praising you forevermore.

#### Sung Response

*(Music for Response S4, Glory to God Hymnal, p. 9)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The leader continues...*

... Great is the mystery of faith:

#### Sung Response

*(Music for Response S5, Glory to God Hymnal, p. 10)*

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

*The leader continues...*

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

**Sung Response**

*(Music for Response S6, Glory to God Hymnal, p. 11)*

**Amen, amen, amen.**

## **Words of Institution**

### **Sharing of the Bread and Cup**

*(To signify our oneness in Christ, worshipers are asked to hold the bread until everyone has been served. The cup may be drunk as soon as it is received, indicating your individual relationships with Christ.)*

## **Communion Prayer 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 331**

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

*National Hymn*

**\* Benediction**

## **Postlude**

Partita on *Houston*: Toccata

Matthew Webb, organ

John Behnke

Participating in the service today are the Reverends Dr. David Smazik and Sarah Green  
and Matthew Webb, Director of Music.

**GREETING:** Cathie and John Eyre, and Linda and Nial McCabe

**USHERS:** Dick Kaller, head usher, Erica Johansson, Marnie Kaller, Nancy Niemann,  
Bruce and Cheryl Smith

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR** today is hosted by Wendy and Ray Doidge.

The **FLOWERS** in the sanctuary are given in honor of Joy Phillips by Jan Dougherty.

Thank you to our Sound Team that faithfully works every Sunday.

**OPEN MEETINGS THIS WEEK:** For a full schedule of meetings, go to our website.

**Sunday, Sept 4**

- 7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion (Chapel)
- 10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion (Sanctuary)

**Monday, Sept 5** *Office closed (Labor Day)*

**Tuesday, Sept 6**

- 8:00 a.m. Small Group (D. Lisco)
- 10:00 a.m. Tai Chi (Mutch Hall this week)
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

**Wednesday, Sept 7**

- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study
- 12:00 p.m. Worship (Chapel)
- 6:30 p.m. Small Group – N. Verhoef  
(Meditation Space – former library)

**Thursday, Sept 8**

- 9:30 a.m. Christian Yoga (Parish House)
- 10:00 a.m. Nursery School Orientation
- 7:00 p.m. Thursday Session Committees

**Friday, Sept 9** *Office closes at noon*

- 9:00 a.m. AAA
- 9:30 a.m. Volunteers (Bulletins)
- 10:00 a.m. Nursery School Orientation

**Saturday, Sept 10**

- 9:00 a.m. Electric Car Show (PH parking lot)
- 5:00 p.m. Fish and Chips dinner (PH)

**Sunday, Sept 11**

- 7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion (Chapel)
- 8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Seminar  
(Dr. Chris Taylor, presenter)
- 8:45 a.m. Sunday School Begins
- 10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

**Monday, Sept 12**

**Nursery School opens**

- 7:00 p.m. Monday Session Committee  
Buildings and Grounds starts at 6 p.m.
- 7:00 p.m. Concert: *Mozart Requiem*, in  
remembrance of September 11

# WELCOME

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We are a historic church, part of a historic denomination, and we celebrate this history while exploring ways to bring passion and freshness to our worship and congregational life. Join us as we seek to discover Fresh Traditional ways to **proclaim, gather, and nurture**, all toward continuing Jesus Christ's earthly ministry of building God's Kingdom.

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**Visitor's Information brochures are in the stands at the entrances to assist you in finding your way around our campus.**

## Visiting with Children?

- **Activity materials** for young worshippers are in the drawers of the literature chests in both vestibules.
- **Infant and child care** is provided during the service in Howard House, the building to the right of the sanctuary.
- **Restrooms:** Please accompany children (under age 10) to the restrooms. (Located through the left door by the bell tables.)

## Special Needs?

- **Feel free to ask** ushers and greeters for assistance if you have any questions or special needs. **Large print bulletins and hearing assistance devices** are available from the ushers in the narthex at the back of the church.

## Please come again

- **Sunday Worship Schedule: Return to regular schedule**  
7:45 a.m. Worship with Communion  
10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
- **Wednesday Morning Bible Study, 10:30 a.m., in the Choir Room**
- **Wednesday Worship Service at Noon in the Chapel**



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