

**“Whoever you are...wherever you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome here.”
God is Still Speaking**

THE REFORMED CHURCH OF THE

Ascension

**UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST**



An Open and Affirming Congregation

February 6, 2022

11:00 AM



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Order of Worship

PRELUDE

“Drop Your Nets” (Jamison)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR/RECEIVING THE LIGHT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the sanctuary, God, the Holy One, whose glory fills the whole earth, calls us.

People: **Beside the sea, along ordinary paths, in our daily work, God calls us.**

Leader: We respond with our whole heart, singing God’s praise and giving thanks.

People: **In steadfast love, God fulfills the divine purposes for our lives.**

GATHERING HYMN

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty” *Glory to God 1*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, though we walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve and deliver us. Though our lips are not clean and our hearts are not pure, you call us. Forgive us, we pray when we wander away from you, lost and at risk. Forgive us when our lives do not reflect your glory and the purposes you intend. Help us to comprehend your ways in the world. We long to feel your grace and glory, for in you, Emmanuel, we can be healed and set free; in Jesus’ name, we pray.

silent prayer of confession

KYRIE

Unison A D E A

1 Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son, ky-ri - e e - le - i - son, ky-ri -
2 Chri - ste e - le - i - son, Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri -

F# Bm E A (A)

e e - le - i - son, ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.
ste e - le - i - son, ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.

The musical score is for a Kyrie in G major, 3/4 time. It features two parts: a unison part and a part with figured bass. The unison part has four measures with chords A, D, E, and A. The figured bass part has four measures with chords F#, Bm, E, and A. The lyrics are: 1 Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son, ky-ri - e e - le - i - son, ky-ri - Chri - ste e - le - i - son, Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - e e - le - i - son, ky-ri - e e - le - i - son. ste e - le - i - son, ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

HYMN

“God, You Spin the Whirling Planets” *Glory to God 23*

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrew Lesson Isaiah 6:1-13

Epistle Lesson 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

please rise

Gospel Lesson Luke 5:1-11

Leader: Holy Wisdom

People: Holy Word

THE SERMON

THE OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & OURSELVES

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us open our hearts.

People: **We open them to our God.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Holy One, our God.

People: **It is right to lift of thanks and praise.**

Leader: Great Deliverer, how wondrous are your deeds! You created the world and all that is in it. With a mighty arm you parted the waters and led your people to liberation. When we were in exile, you gathered us up in your bosom and led us home like a mother sheep. When we were mistreating our own, you sent prophets to set us right. You pulled down the arrogant and lifted up the weak. And when the time was right, you sent Jesus to set us free. Now send us again your life-giving Spirit and recharge your promise within us, for we are eagerly awaiting our Savior to come again from heaven, saying:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: So, with gratitude and expectation we remember that Jesus took bread, blessed, broke, and gave it to his disciples, saying, this is my body, given for you. So also we remember that Jesus took the cup, saying, this is the new covenant of love and grace poured out for you and for many. Do this in remembrance of me. Now, as we wait for him to come again, O God, stir up your power and restore us by sending your Holy Spirit to infuse us with hope in the great mystery of our faith:

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader: Bless us too, that by our eating and drinking we may have love for each other and be servants of Christ's peace, until the New Day comes and every creature finds an honored place at the Banquet of Life!

All: All glory and honor are yours, eternal God, through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: O God most high, you meet us where we live and invite us to be part of your purpose. All thanks and praise to you, for you hear our prayers for the church, the world, and all who live in it.

People: On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

Leader: We pray for the church and for all who work to bring others a word of compassion.

People: On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

Leader: We pray for peace among nations and peace among people.

People: On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

Leader: We pray for those suffering from war or calamities of nature.

People: On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

Leader: We pray for those who are oppressed and need courage to resist.

People: On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

Leader: We pray for those who because of illness or hardship are paralyzed by fear.

People: On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

Leader: God of majesty and glory, through Jesus Christ you summon us into your compassion for all creation. Renew in us your call and release us from all fear, that we may testify in words and deeds to your steadfast love for all. For the sake of Jesus Christ, we pray as we have been taught...

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.

*Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.*

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

*For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

BREAKING THE BREAD & POURING THE WINE

Leader: In the breaking of this bread, we are one with Christ in his body broken for us.

In the pouring of this cup, we are one with Christ in his blood poured out for us.

Come, for all things are ready.

All: Lord Jesus Christ, we come to this table to know you in the breaking of this bread.

PARTAKING OF THE MEAL

CLOSING HYMN

“Will You Come and Follow Me” *Glory to God 726*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

“Follow” (Kingston)

February Birthdays

2/6-2/12/2022

Tanya Thampi-Sen (7); Molly Lorenz (9); Bob Fryer (12)



We welcome you to our Community of Faith. We pray that God will speak to you during this worship experience. If you have need of pastoral assistance, we encourage you to contact Pastor Dwayne at the church office number listed below or make an appointment with him today.

We welcome children in worship at all times. If you would prefer, childcare is available. Please see one of our ushers. Children's bulletins and crayons are available from the ushers.

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