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January 14, 2024 **9:30 AM Traditional** Worship Service



The Service of Worship

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Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Geitra Mickelson

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Prelude God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

arr. Held

Laura Hesse, Organ

*Call to Worship Rev. Phil Mohr

How blessed we are that God forgives us and loves us!

For all those times we have failed to live our faith, we have been forgiven.

God makes us new in God's Spirit!

We joyfully accept the newness of life which God offers to us.

Come, let us worship and be thankful.

Let us open our hearts to God's love and peace.

*Hymn Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Hymnal No. 384

*Passing the Peace of Christ Rev. Phil Mohr

Opening Prayer Rev. Geitra Mickelson

God of steadfast love and mercy, remind us once again that in Jesus Christ everything has become new. For far too often, things seem as they have always been, and old habits die hard and difficult situations linger. Speak to us again of Your new creation. Open our eyes to its presence in our lives. Call us forth to claim this newness, that we may be healed and made whole through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anthem Ain'-a That Good News! Dawson

Children Dismissed to Kids Quest Rev. Matthew Smith

Commissioning of Church Officers

*First Lesson Isaiah 43:18-19 Barb Shaiko

Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

*Hymn Blessed Assurance Hymnal No. 369

*Second Lesson 2 Corinthians 5: 16-18

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

Response

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Die to the Old Self" Rev. Matthew Smith

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Phil Mohr

Barb Shaiko

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Celebration of Our Giving Rev. Geitra Mickelson

Offertory Great is Thy Faithfulness arr. Lee
Esther Lee, piano

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*Presentation of Offering/Doxology Hymnal No. 95

*Prayer of Thanksgiving Rev. Geitra Mickelson

*Hymn This Is a Day of New Beginnings Hymnal No. 383

(Stzs. 1-4)

Invitation to ACTS Form

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A Service of Word and Table

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving
The Lord be with you.

And also with you. Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor gives thanks, remembering God's acts of salvation, and concludes: And so, with Your people on earth and all the company of heaven We praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth 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 pastor continues the thanksgiving and concludes:
And so, in remembrance of these Your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
We offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The pastor invokes the work of the Holy Spirit and the Trinity and concludes: Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by His blood.

Amen.

Giving the Bread and Cup

Communion Meditation Ye Must Be Born Again Sleeper/Stebbins

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