

February 4, 2024 10:30 AM

## **Approaching God in Praise and Prayer**

+All who are able may stand

As you enter this holy space and sacred time, please quiet your mind, meditate on the Scriptures, and pray for the Holy Spirit to prepare you to worship the Living God.

PRELUDE

I Would Be True

arr. Christian Elliott Suzanne Shick, organ

WELCOME The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 25 (selected verses)

Leader: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

**People:** O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; Leader: Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

People: Lead me in your truth, and teach me,

Leader: For you are the God of my salvation,

People: For you I wait all day long.

Leader: Let us worship God!

**+ HYMN 35** 

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

#### + PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

God of mercy and truth, we seek your forgiveness for the sinful way we live. We are unworthy to be your children, unfit to be your servants. We are burdened with memories of things undone that ought to have been done, and of things done that ought not to have been done. Bring us afresh the healing and cleansing power of your Spirit, that we may lay hold of the salvation you offer and walk in newness of life, to the glory and praise of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### + MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

### + ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

+ RESPONSE: HYMN 581 Gloria Patri GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

#### + PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

At this time, children 5th grade and younger may meet their Sunday School leaders at the back of Sanctuary.

Youth 6th grade and older will gather in the Youth Room.

VILLAGE LIFE

# Offering Ourselves to God

OFFERTORY Wonderful Words of Life arr. Wilbur Held

+ RESPONSE: HYMN 606 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDRETH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

## **Receiving God's Word**

ANTHEM True Light

Keith Hampton Chancel Choir Malachi Marshall, bass Calianne Grossheim, soprano Suzanne Shick, piano Juan Carlos Acosta, director

**THE WORD READ** John 18:28-40 (NT pg. 149) Joan Osborne, lay reader

Leader: The word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

THE WORD PROCLAIMED "Pillars of Life: Truth" The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca

# Responding to God's Word

### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

We are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

We share one bread and one cup in remembrance of the body and blood of Jesus that was given for us.

Invitation Words of Institution Bread & Cup Thanksgiving

Our communion bread is gluten free, and grape juice is in the cup.

**COMMUNION MUSIC** He remembering His mercy hath holpen His servant Israel Prelude on New Britain (Amazing Grace)

Marcel Dupré
Dale Wood

### + BENEDICTION

+ CHORAL BENEDICTION

Song of Simeon

Juan Carlos Acosta

**POSTLUDE** 

Toccata on How Firm A Foundation

Gordon Young



The Deacon of the Day, Brenda Meredith, can be found at the Welcome Table on the patio.

This service is being livestreamed.

### The Village Church Pastoral & Program Staff

The Rev. Dr. Jack W. Baca, Senior Pastor

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook, Interim Associate Pastor

Mary Thibodeau, Executive Administrator Juan Carlos Acosta, Director of Worship Ministry

Adrian Narlock, Director of Media Ministry Twyla Arant, Worship Coordinator

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Phyllis Graham, Bell Choir Director

Nancy Betts, Director of Preschool Ministry

Calianne Grossheim, Children's Choir Director

Gretchen Scruggs, Director of Missions Ministry Suzanne Shick, Organist

Gustavo Coria, Facilities Manager



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### **True Light**

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Almighty God is light. He lives in us as True Light.

In the beginning out of the darkness God created He lives in us as True Light.
Almighty God is light. He lives in us as True Light.

Don't let the light that You've given me die, and don't desert my mind.

But let the one who serves You praise you again and again.

He lives in us as True Light.

In the beginning out of the darkness God created -He lives in us as True Light. Almighty God is light. He lives in us as True Light.

You are the one who judges right from wrong.

Your glory excites no envy.

But let the one who serves You

praise you again and again.

He lives in us as True Light.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Everywhere I go, I want the world to know. God gave the world True Light!

Hold on to the true light - I'm gonna let it shine. Everywhere I go, I want the world to know. God gave the world True Light!

True Light, I'm gonna let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I want the world to know.

God gave the world True Light!

God's love, God's grace, I'm gonna let it shine. Everywhere I go, I want the world to know. God gave the world True Light!

### Song of Simeon

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast prepared before all people.

A light, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of thy people Israel

# SERMON NOTES

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John 18:28-40 NRSV
