

Order of Worship

September 22, 2024 10:00 AM

Welcome to this time of worship, as we gather in the name of Jesus Christ.

Prelude

Träumerei

Robert Schumann

Annelisa Crabtree, piano

Welcome

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Greeting (Psalm 8)

Leader: How majestic is your name in all the earth!

People: You have set your glory above the heavens.

Leader: O God, creative Spirit, all things have their beginning and ending in you. We gather to lift your name on high.

People: Glory and honor to you, Almighty God!

Hymn

Mighty to Save

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Holy and merciful God,
in perfection you created the earth,
fixed the course of the sun and seasons,
and populated the earth with plants, fish, birds, and animals
to live in an intricate, balanced web of life.

**People: You created us in your image and gave us the responsibility
to care for the world.**

Leader: We confess that we have failed to live up to our responsibilities.
We have polluted the water, cut too many trees,
drained too many fertile marshes and wetland
and destroyed too many wildlife habitats in the name of progress.

**People: For these sins of commission and omission, we are deeply sorry.
We ask your forgiveness and pray that you would create
a right heart and mind within us,
that we may consume according to our need instead of our want
and that we may begin to heal your creation from human injury.
Amen.**

Words of Forgiveness

Rev. Wines

Leader: Hear the good news:
In Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and made new.
When we turn from our failings and seek God's grace,
God is faithful to forgive and renew us.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Children's Message

Scripture

Psalm 8; John 21:1-7a

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Other Side of the Boat

Jon White

Prayer of the People

Rev. Wines

Leader: "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."
Creator God, you formed our universe from a shapeless void;
You fashioned the planets and forged the stars;
You established the seasons and determined life's rightful order:

All: Creator God, we worship you!

Leader: Word of Life, you spoke over your creation and made it live;
You painted nature into beautiful color;
You stirred seas and rivers to song;
You called forth creatures of every shape and size:

All: Word of Life, we respond to you!

Leader: Spirit of Life, you gathered the dust of the earth
and made a man and a woman;
You breathed life into them, that they might know you;
You filled your earth with tribes and nations;
You entrusted your precious world to us your family:

All: Spirit of Life, we receive you!

Leader: "God looked at all of creation, and it was very good."

**All: Almighty God, today we celebrate the good gift of your creation;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
today we rejoice in the gift of relationship with you. Amen.**

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Sending Forth

Hymn

The Earth Is the Lord's

Benediction

Rev. Wines

Postlude

Postlude in G, Opus 134, No. 6

Gustav Merkel

Annelisa Crabtree, organ

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Prayer of the People:

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