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May 22, 2022 Worship

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Just a few notes to keep in mind:

- ♦ We are singing in person together again! So come, and sing boldly!
- ♦ Masks optional for all activities in the church building.

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements (Rev. Rob Smith)

Call to Worship (Monique Lander)

Encouraged by Christ, we include others. We worship with humility and love lifting up our neighbor. We come with courage to be vulnerable, with persistence to be gracious and merciful. Let us worship with the courage to put others before ourselves.

Opening Song Here I Am to Worship CCLI # 3266032

Prayer of Reconciliation (Clara Amadasun)

Assurance of Grace (Rev. Rob Smith)

Prayer of Illumination (Monique Lander)

Scripture Philippians 2: 1-13 (Clara Amadasun)

Children's sermon (Rev. Rob Smith)

Sermon (Rev. Rob Smith)

Call To Offering (Monique Lander)

Offertory He Never Failed Me Yet by Robert Ray (Spirit of Life Choir, Kate Frost, soloist)

Prayers of the People

All: 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.

Ordination and Installation

Sentences of Scripture

One: There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

All: There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.

One: God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

All: To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

One: Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

Statement on Installation

Profession of Faith

Prayer

(Rev. Rob Smith)

Profession (Apostles' Creed)

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Constitutional Questions

To the new Deacons and Elders / To the Congregation

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

Declaration of Ordination and Installation/ Welcome

Deacons class of 2024: Joanne Boyd & Vicki Fischer

Session class of 2025: Oghomwen Amadasun & Ruth Ewule

Closing Song Here I Am, Lord purple #69

Charge and Benediction (Rev. Rob Smith)

Announcements

At the April 11, 2022 session meeting, Session made the decision to go masks optional for all activities in the church building, including worship!

News from the Christian Education Committee:

Children's Sunday School classes meet 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. There will be a PreK - 2nd grade class and a 3rd-5th grade class. We will bring the children back to the sanctuary for the Children's sermon at 10:15 and then the children can sit with their parents during the rest of the service. Teachers: May 22 – Ryan

From Community Service: The Community Service committee gathered yesterday to plant the donation vegetable garden and will likely plant more today Sunday, May 22, following worship. Anyone who has an interest in vegetable gardening is welcome to join us; just bring your own work gloves, gardening tools, and kneeling pad or short stool. All seeds and plants are provided.

This garden is a ministry of the Community Service committee, and all produce from the garden is delivered to the Rosemount Family Resource Center food shelf. We've already made our first delivery of 7 pounds (asparagus, rhubarb, and chives)! Our deliveries will continue to be weekly, and up to twice weekly as the garden starts to really produce later in the summer. So, helpers for maintaining and harvesting the garden are needed all summer long. If you are interested in joining us, either this coming weekend or later in the summer, please contact Denise Lewis, dlewis9476@comcast.net to get on the email list for updates.

Spring has sprung! The **Community Service team is looking for help** in weeding our many flower gardens. If you would like to spend some quiet time outside, please contact Chris Sachs or sign up on the clipboard in the back of the church. We will establish a schedule with volunteers signing up for a week when they can do it at their convenience. Thanks!

If you are looking for ways to help the people of Ukraine, here are a couple of effective organizations that are working to bring relief:

- Church World Service, which sponsors CROP Walks, also works in the areas of disaster relief and refugee resettlement and is actively responding in the Ukraine crisis. You can read about their efforts and donate here <https://cwsglobal.org/appeals/ukraine-crisis-response-fund/>

- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is also actively involved, and you can read about their response here <https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/ukraine/>

Rob and Lisa Smith invite everyone to join them as they **celebrate Luke** and the next part of his journey. Luke's Graduation party is June 11th, 3:00-7:00pm at 709 Country Place, Burnsville, MN.

The session of elders of Spirit of Life is hosting our regular community **picnics** this year while Rob has sabbatical. We ask those able to bring a side or dessert to share and the session will provide a main course. Dates will be June 26th, July 31st, and August 28th and the time will be approximately 11:15am (immediately after worship) with games in the backyard for kids and food and fellowship for all.

At the session meeting on 5-9-2022 we approved a change to future **name tags** and by opt-in/voluntary for existing tags the change being to add pronouns to name tags. See the signup sheet at the back. For design, basically like we already have with something like:

Ryan Currens

My pronouns are: He/Him/His

Coffee and Conversation Mondays, from 9:20 am to 11:00 am. This is a great opportunity to meet with others. Come as you are. This is a gathering online and in person. It is open for you to pop in and out any time so feel free to drop in and say hello. *Note, same time and same login, recurring meeting each week. Join Zoom Meeting at <https://zoom.us/j/286584190>

From Community Service: Our LITTLE FREE PANTRY has been of great use to our neighbors and is in need of frequent replenishment! We can now resume contributing canned items as well as other non perishables. Donations may be left in the little pantry or in the cabinet inside the church entry. Many thanks for your wonderful support of our pantry and neighbors!

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