

Greeting

Ellen White

L: This is the day that the Lord has made!

P: We will rejoice and be glad in it!

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Bell

Music to Prepare Our Hearts

"Rock of Ages"

Dr. Kristie Janczyk

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*Call to Worship

L: If you need good news, settle into this space.

P: We have good news to share.

L: If you need a word of hope,

P: Then trust us when we say, there is hope enough to go around.

L: If you need a glimmer of joy, then you're in luck!

P: We have resilient joy abounding.

L: If you need to feel God's presence in your midst, then know that this is God's house.

P: This is the good news of the gospel: God is here. Love is real. Joy is on the move.

Let us worship our God!

*Hymn of Praise

"Come Away with Me"

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**Come away with me to a quiet place
Apart from the world with its frantic pace
To pray reflect and seek God's grace
Come away with me, come away**

**Come and pray with me on a gentle sea
On top of a hill in the Galilee
in gardens like Gethsemane
Come away with me, come away**

**Come today with thoughts of the countless ways
That God's steadfast love blesses all our days
And join with me in silent praise
Come away with me, come away**

**Come and say, in words whispered from your soul
The feelings and actions you can't control
Your spirit needs to be made whole
Come away with me, come away**

**Come away with me to a quiet place
To God's loving arms waiting to embrace
All those who come in hope of grace
Come away with me, come away**

A Season of Prayer

Prayer Song

“Come and Find the Quiet Center”

TFWS 2128

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Verse 1

**Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead,
Find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:
Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes that we can
All the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.**

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Holy God, with you the impossible is possible. 5,000 can be fed. The blind can see.
The hopeless can find hope. With you the impossible is possible, but we are quick to
forget that. We look at our hurting world and tell ourselves that nothing can be
done. We forget that you empowered the disciples to feed the crowd. We forget that
you are always with us. Forgive our small-minded ways. Forgive us for doubting
that change could ever come. But even more so, forgive us when we refuse to be a
part of it. With hope for a better tomorrow we pray, amen.**

A Time of Quiet for Personal Prayer

Words of Forgiveness

L: Family of faith, no matter how many mistakes the disciples made, Jesus still washed their feet. Jesus still fed them. Jesus still called them beloved. The same is true for you and me, so hear and believe this good news: today is a new day, and once again, we belong to God.

**P: We are forgiven. We are called. We are not alone. What good, good news.
Amen!**

Prayer Song

“Come and Find the Quiet Center”

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Verse 3

**In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain,
Let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain:
There's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care,
In the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare.**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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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!

Anthem

“God's Peace”

Chancel Choir

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Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Holy God,

we could press our ear to the page,

hoping to hear you more clearly.

We could silence all the alarms and notifications,

hoping to catch a murmur of your voice.

We could still our beating hearts,

and still we might miss your voice.

So today we pray, open up space in our hearts,

in our spirits, in our minds,

to feel your presence among us.

With you, anything is possible.

We believe. Help our unbelief.

Amen.

Scripture Readings

Mark 6:32-44

Ephesians 3:20-21

L: Word of God, word of life!

P: Thanks be to God!

Song of Preparation

“We All Are One in Mission”

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We all are one in mission

We all are one in call

Our varied gifts united

By Christ the Lord of all

A single great commission

Compels us from above

To plan and work together

That all may know Christ's love

**We all are called for service
To witness in God's name
Our ministries are different
Our purpose is the same
To touch the lives of others
By God's surprising grace
So ev'ry folk and nation
May feel God's warm embrace**

**Now let us be united
And let our song be heard
Now let us be a vessel
For God's redeeming Word
We all are one in mission
We all are one in call
Our varied gifts united
By Christ the Lord of all**

Message

“Together, the Impossible *Is* Possible”

Rev. Sharon Pajak

We Share Our Gifts

Invitation to Giving

Song During Offering “God of Grace and God of Glory”

Dr. Kristie Janczyk

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***Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

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**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!**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)

Merciful God, the gifts we bring are so small in comparison to the vast needs in our world—nowhere near enough to save the thousands dying of starvation all around the world, or even to meet the needs of the hungry and homeless in our city. Yet we have brought what we can. As you once multiplied the five small loaves and two fish, multiply these gifts as well, so that, once again, the hungry may receive all they need, and more. Amen.

*Song of Response

“Human Minds Just Can’t Imagine”

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**Human minds just can’t imagine all that God can bring to bear
Through our small and separate beings, even when we join to share**

**Still we follow where Christ leads us, many pieces of one whole
That we might allow our dreaming to transform our broken world**

**God, expand our dreams and vision when we think our gifts too small
Help us trust your great provision and to answer when you call
You who gave us time and talents will uphold and see us through
As we join together in the work you've given us to do**

**Like the grains of wheat are gathered from the vast and rolling fields
Like the grapes from viny branches whose small fruit the wine will yield
We re-member as one body, each of us a crucial part
In the global church professing: we belong to God's own heart**

*Blessing

*Music for Going Forth

“Near the Cross”

Dr. Kristie Janczyk

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