

Greeting

Rick Schlee

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

**P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Bell

Music to Prepare Our Hearts

“I Walk By Faith”

Elizabeth Tomboulian

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\*Call to Worship

L: Praise God!

**P: We're gathered to give thanks to the Lord!**

L: Today, rejoice! We've come to seek God and celebrate God's strength!

**P: We remember all the wonderful work God has done.**

L: Let's call on the name of the Lord!

**P: Remembering how God continues to seek and save, let's pray!**

Opening Prayer (Unison)

**Holy God, giver of life and redeemer of all, thank you for this time of worship.**

**Thank you for gathering us here (whether in person or on line). Thank you for the amazing work you've done in the past, and for all we anticipate you doing from this day forward. As we worship you, strengthen us to remember, to look ahead, and to sing your praise! Amen**

\*Hymn of Praise

“O For a Thousand Tongues”

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Verses 1, 2, 3, 7

**O for a thousand tongues to sing  
my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of His grace!**

**My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad  
the honors of thy name.**

**Jesus! the name that charms our fears,  
that bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life, and health, and peace.**

**In Christ, your head, you then shall know,  
shall feel your sins forgiven;  
anticipate your heaven below,  
and own that love is heaven.**

A Season of Prayer

Congregational Call to Prayer

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“Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”

**Music: Cokesbury Hymnal #267**

**Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord.**

**Incline thine ear to us and grant us thy peace.**

A Time of Quiet for Personal Prayer

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!**

Special Music

Dustin Willis, Organ & Julie Willis, Violin

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

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Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:22-23

**L: This is the word of the Lord!**

**P: Thanks be to God!**

\*Hymn of Preparation

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

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**Eternal Father, strong to save,  
Whose arm has bound the restless wave,  
Who bid the mighty ocean deep  
Its own appointed limits keep:  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.**

**O Savior, whose almighty word  
The wind and waves submissive heard,  
Who walked upon the foaming deep,  
And calm amid its rage did sleep:  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.**

**O Holy Spirit, who did brood  
Upon the chaos wild and rude,  
and bid its angry tumult cease,  
and gave, for fierce confusion, peace:  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.**

**O Trinity of love and power,  
All travelers guard in danger's hour;  
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,  
Protect them wheresoe'er they go:  
Thus evermore shall rise to thee  
Glad praise from air and land and sea.**

Message

“What Has Faith to Do with It?”

Rev. Sharon Pajak

We Share Our Gifts

Invitation to Offering

Song During Offering “Meditation on Sweet Hour of Prayer”

Dustin Willis, Organ

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

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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**

**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)

**With deep gratitude, God of all life, we offer you these gifts. Accept these symbols of our lives, along with our praise, for we're confident you desire us to move beyond our fears.**

**Set us free to use these resources, overcoming the fears which hold back so many.**

**Liberate us, that we might celebrate in your presence all the days of our lives. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Response

“Here I Am, Lord”

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**I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.**

**All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.**

**I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.**

**Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?**

*Chorus*

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.**

**I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

**I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? (Chorus)**

**I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Chorus)**

\*Blessing

Music for Going Forth      “All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”      Dustin Willis, Organ  
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