

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 “Come, Now Is the Time to Worship” Elizabeth Tombouliau

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*Call to Worship

L: O give thanks to God, and call on God’s name!

P: Make known God’s deeds among the people!

L: Sing to God, sing praises to God Almighty, tell of God’s wonderful works!

P: Glory in the divine name; let the hearts of those who seek life rejoice!

*Hymn of Praise

“Lift High the Cross”

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Refrain

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

**Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sign.
The hosts of God in unity combine. (*Refrain*)**

**Each newborn servant of the Crucified
Bears on the brow the seal of him who died. (*Refrain*)**

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. (*Refrain*)**

**So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! (*Refrain*)**

*We Affirm Our Faith

“The Apostle’s Creed”

UMH 882

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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,
Is seated at the right hand of the Father,
And will come again 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!**

***Glory Be to the Father**

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**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!**

Special Music

“Cross the Bridge to Oneness”

Elizabeth Tombouliau

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Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 1:10-17

L: This is the Word of God.

P: Thanks be to God!

***Hymn of Preparation**

“The Church’s One Foundation”

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**The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ our Lord;
we are his new creation
by water and the Word.
From heaven he came and sought us
that we might ever be
his living servant people,
by his own death set free.**

**Called forth from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth;
our charter of salvation:
one Lord, one faith, one birth;**

**One holy name professing
and at one table fed,
to one hope always pressing,
by Christ's on Spirit led.**

**Though with a scornful wonder
the world sees us oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed.
Yet saints their watch are keeping;
their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.**

**Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of our war,
we wait the consummation
of peace forevermore.
Till, with the vision glorious,
our longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.**

**We now on earth hath union
with God the Three in One,
and share through faith communion
with those whose rest is won.
Oh, happy ones, and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.**

Message

“This Church, or That?”

Rev. Sharon Pajak

A Season of Prayer

Invitation to Prayer

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!

We Share Our Gifts

Invitation to Giving

1 John 3:16-18

Song During Offering

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

Elizabeth Tombouliau

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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 Dedication (unison)

Holy God, as we present our tithes and offerings in worship, we know we come from a world that is tearing itself apart due to division. Even among your followers, we find ourselves shutting down and closing ourselves to those who don't think or act as we do. We need to be reminded that you desire unity and one mind from your children – not a church void of disagreement, but one where we work at listening in love more than working at speaking louder and winning the day. We dedicate not just our gifts but our minds to the work of your unifying love. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

***Song of Response**

“We Are the Church”

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Chorus

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together!

All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes we're the church together!

The church is not a building,

The church is not a steeple,

The church is not a resting place,

The church is a people. (*Chorus*)

We're many kinds of people,

With many kinds of faces,

All colors and all ages, too,

From all times and places. (*Chorus*)

Sometimes the church is marching,

Sometimes it's bravely burning,

Sometimes it's riding, sometimes hiding,

Always it's learning. (*Chorus*)

**And when the people gather,
There's singing and there's praying,
There's laughing and there's crying sometimes,
All of it saying: (*Chorus*)**

**At Pentecost some people
Received the Holy Spirit
And told the Good News
Through the world
To all who would hear it. (*Chorus*)**

***Sending Forth with Blessing**

L: Go in peace!

**P: In the power of the Holy Spirit, we now go forth into the world to be the people of
God, the body of Christ!**

***Music for Going Forth**

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