

Prelude

Welcome Pastor Michael Anderson

Silent Meditation

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. - Mark 1:1

A right understanding of the self is necessary for discipleship. If self-denial and cross-bearing are actually calls to surrender the self, then the self must not only be present, but well-known and well-examined. ... Spending time examining our hearts, studying our motives, desires, and sin, is not only permissible in discipleship, but necessary to it.

-Christy Gambrell

Introit The Word Was God choir

text, John 1:1-3; music, Rosephanye Powell

In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God.

The same was in-a the beginning with God.

By Him all things were made that have been made.

Nothing was made that has been made. All things were made by Him.

In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God.

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship Psalm 103:19-22

Elder Mark Jurries

The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all.

Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!
Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!
Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion.
Bless the LORD, O my soul!

^{*} Please rise in body and/or in spirit.

* Authority of Christ Jeff Bourque 1. Je all sus, the ru ler of na ture, the ^L2. Je sus, the won - der of the shep herds, the 3. Je who spoke in puz - zling a - bles, who sus, par sus, who free ly gave for ness, con give 5. Je sus, who let the mob be fur i - ous, sub long - a - wait - ed Sav - ior, the King kings for - ev of er. to Verse 2 the calm - er of heal - er of the lep - ers, the wat ers. to Chorus left the haugh - ty hum - bled, who chal-lenged and who trou - bled. to Verse 4 who wit - nessed that he should show such bold - ness. all to Chorus mit - ting to their blood-lust, life vic - to - ri - ous! to Chorus rose to All praise and hon - or he has claimed, all pow'r and glo All hell is trem-bling at the name of Je - sus! Sing with the an-gels, come, and shout with old Sim-e-on and cry with the wom-en that his freed, oh, fol-low the fish-er-men and bow with the sin-ners be-cause mer - cy

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GOD CALLS US TO RENEWAL

Call to confession Romans 5:8

...but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Prayer of confession followed by a time of silent confession

Declaration of Forgiveness Colossians 2:13-15

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Reception of New Members (8:30)

Mark & Kristine Taylor and Eleonore, Augustine

Baptisms (8:30)

Augustine Taylor, covenant son of Mark & Kristine Christopher Joe Knopf, covenant son of Benjamin & Brittany

Profession of Faith and Baptisms (11:15)

Selah Churchwell Norah Tilchen

8:30 service On the final verse of the song below, 4- to 6-year-olds are dismissed to the foyer for Christ Kids

Worship and will return following the sermon.

11:15 service Church bags for 4- to 6-year-olds are available in the foyer.

* Lift High the Cross

Trinity Hymnal 263

GOD'S WORD GIVEN TO US

* Scripture reading Mark 8:27-9:1

8:27 And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸ And they told him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." ²⁹ And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Christ." ³⁰ And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

³¹ And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³² And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

³⁴ And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶ For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? ³⁷ For what can a man give in return for his soul? ³⁸ For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

^{9:1} And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power."

Elder: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

Ser	mon	On Account of Me	Pastor Andrew VanderMaas
	A King for a Place		
	A King for	r a Purpose	
	A King for	r a People	

DEDICATING OURSELVES TO GOD

* O Jesus, I Have Promised

Trinity Hymnal 654

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Trays will be passed through the rows. The bread served is gluten free. Hold the bread or cup until all are served and we'll partake together.

During the passing of the bread Alguém Como Eu (Someone like me)

Come in, Master, rest a little You are tired, you are thirsty and hoarse. Sleep, Master, the house is yours. I have closed the door and window to the street.

He left me speaking alone, He slept so deeply, it stirred my heart. What will this dream of yours be like, Master? Do you dream as man? Do you dream as God? Do you dream of the glory you had with the Father, in the light? Or do you dream of the cross?

Forgive me, Master, but it is time, A crowd awaits you outside. You are determined, I won't stop you, You go on healing until you reach the wood.

He left, peace remains in me, The room still carries the scent of jasmine. He is going to pour the life within his body To take the guilt of someone like me, To wash the filth of my own self, To bring me pure before God.

During the passing of the cup

Philippians 4:4-9

Liam O'Callaghan and Quinn Klamer, readers (8:30) Alaina Seese and Selah Churchwell, readers (11:15)

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Prayer of Thanksgiving spoken together

We thank you once again for this meal, this day, this gift of resurrection. Send us out into your world to be the presence of love and hope to all who despair and fear, that all may have life, and life abundant. Alleluia, amen.

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Prayers of the People

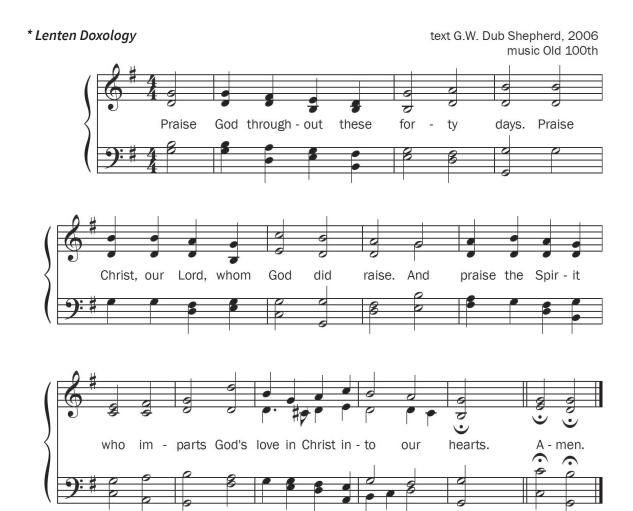
During the offertory please pass the red friendship pads found at the end of the rows.

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Flesh will fail and bones will break Theives will steal, the earth will shake Night will fall, the light will fade The Lord will give and take away

Put no trust in the earth In the sod you stand upon Flowers fade into dust The Lord will make a place for us Because of his great love We are not overcome

Have no fear for your life Turn your cheek, turn your cheek Bear the yoke of love and death The Lord will give all life and breath



* Benediction

Kids and All: You are invited to come forward and play rhythm instruments as we sing our closing Amen song.

* Let the People Sing Amen, Amen



* Postlude