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PRELUDE

"Partita on Morecambe"
"Liebster Jesu wir sind hier"

(James Boeringer)
(J. S. Bach)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Josh Auchenbach

OPENING HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

#836, st. 1,2,3



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant-ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Pastor: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin. (Silence for reflection.)
Most merciful God,*

All: **you created us for relationship with you and with one another, yet we often live behind walls of fear and self-protection. We are quick to judge, slow to listen, and reluctant to love those who are different from us. Forgive us for the ways we have chosen convenience over compassion, familiarity over hospitality, and suspicion over trust. Renew us by your Spirit, that we may receive your love and share it freely with the world. Amen.**

Pastor: Hear the good news: God's love is not earned by perfect people. While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. In Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are deeply loved, fully welcomed, and sent to love because Christ has first loved you. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Back-to-School Blessing

Pastor Amy Janssen

FIRST READING

1 John 4:16-19

Reader: Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Luke 10:25-29

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

"Won't You Be My Neighbor?"

Pastor Amy

APOSTLES' CREED

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.**

PRAYERS

OFFERING

"On Eagles's Wings"
Naomi Simpson and Jennifer Wortman, duet

(Joncas)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray together. Gracious God,

All: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Lamb of God"



1. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
2. Lamb of God, you pour your Ho - ly Spi - rit on us;
3. Lamb of God, you are the bread of life for us all:
4. Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha - tred and fear:



have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love"

#708

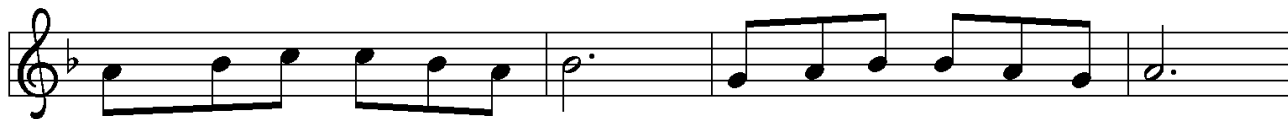
Refrain



Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show



us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their feet,
 2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race,
 3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;
 4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash-ing their feet:



mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way.
 all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
 this is the way we will live with you.

"This is My Father's World"

#824



1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
 2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car-ols raise; the
 3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for-get that,



na-ture sings, and round me rings the mu-sic of the spheres.
 morn-ing light, the lil-y white, de-clare their mak-er's praise.
 though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul-er yet.



This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
 This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
 This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The



rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won-ders wrought.
 rus-ling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev-'ry-where.
 Lord is king, let heav-en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

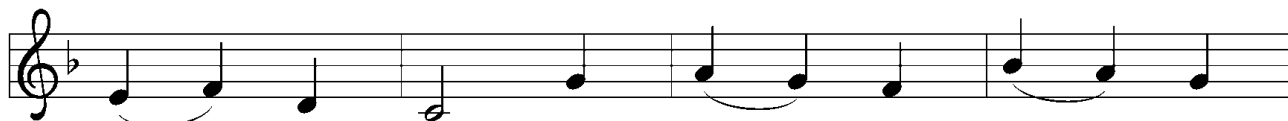
HYMN

"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

#551, st. 1,2,3,4



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
joy like seed and, all our days, to
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
share a dream and help the blind to see.
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace. Follow Jesus and share his love.

All: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

"Fuguetta"

(R. Grigi)