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Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

November 13, 2016 at 9 and 11:15 am

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Word and Sacrament

Please silence your cellular telephones.

We encourage you to begin this time of worship in silent prayer.

Prayer of Preparation

Teach us, good Lord, to serve you as your deserve; to give and not to count the cost; to struggle and not to heed the hurts, to toil and not to seek for rest; to labor and not to ask for reward, save that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE

Intermezzo

Josef Gabriel Rheinberger

(from *Sonata No. 8, Op. 132*)

(1839-1901)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Eric O. Springsted

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Surely God is my salvation;

People: I will trust and will not be afraid.

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name;

People: Let us make known his deeds among the nations.

Pastor: Shout aloud and sing for joy, O Zion,

People: For great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Pastor: In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

People: Let us worship God.

*Let all who are able stand.

*HYMN 454

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Liebster Jesu

CONFESSION OF SIN (*unison*)

Beverly A. Bartlett

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you and one another. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love, in failing to love others as we love ourselves. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

(Silence for personal confession)

LORD, HAVE MERCY

James MacMillan



Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy. Christ have mer - cy,



Christ — have mer - cy. Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: ... Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Nun danket alle Gott

Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and voice,
 Who wondrous things hath done, In whom this world rejoices;
 Who, from our mothers' arms, Hath blessed us on our way
 With countless gifts of love, And still is ours to-day.

Text: Martin Rinkart, c.1636 (trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1858)
 Music: Johann Crüger, 1648

*SUMMARY OF THE LAW

*PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor: Since we have been reconciled to God in Jesus Christ,
 let us be reconciled to one another.
 The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Greet one another with signs of Christ's peace.

*Please greet those around you with: "The peace of Christ be with you,"
 responding, "And also with you."*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Christopher N. De La Cruz

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 65:17-25

(nrsv, page 654 OT)

*CANTICLE

First Song of Isaiah

Rendez à Dieu

1. Surely the Lord is my salvation, Trust God and
 2. Sing praise to God, whose works are glorious, Through all the
 do not be afraid. Lord God, you are my consolation,
 earth let this be known; Shout loud, and sing for joy, O Zion,
 True source of strength, my constant aid. Joyful, we drink of your sal-
 Great is the Holy One alone. Call on God's name in ad-
 vation, a cup of trust that drives out fear. Gladly we
 ration give thanks in every thought and deed, Shout loud and
 say to every nation: "Great is our Lord who's always near."
 sing for joy, O Zion: "Great is the Lord, our God, in deed!"

Text: Fred R. Anderson, © 2006, all rights reserved, based on Isaiah 12:2-6
 Tune: Louis Bourgeois, 1551

(During the final stanza of the canticle, children and young people are invited to come forward, gathering around the Baptismal Font for the Lesson for Young Christians.)

LESSON FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Dr. Springsted

DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN’S AND YOUTH WORSHIP

Children’s Worship – Children preschool through 3rd grade may exit to the Phillips Lounge.

Youth Worship – Young people 4th grade to 8th grade may exit to the Dana Chapel.

The Children & Youth return to the Sanctuary at the Doxology to participate in the rest of the service.

EPISTLE LESSON

2 Thessalonians 3:6–13
(nrsv, page 195 NT)

William A. Jordan

GRADUAL *(11:15 am)*

Andrew Henderson

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Give me understanding that I may live.
(Psalm 119:105, 107b)

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 21:5–19
(nrsv, page 80 NT)

Andrew D. Smothers

SERMON

“Enduring, You Will Gain Your Soul”

Dr. Springsted

*HYMN 415 *(11:15 am)*

Come, Labor On

Ora Labora

*THE NICENE CREED

Mr. Jordan

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Mr. Smothers

...Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

WORD IN ACTION

“Stepping Up”

Elder Chris Trinkka

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:15 am)

From *Three Canticles of Isaiah* (2012)

John Weaver
(b. 1937)

Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid, for the Lord God is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation. Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted. Sing praises to the Lord, Shout aloud and sing for joy, O Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel. (*Isaiah 12:2, 4b, 5a, 6*)

(John Weaver's setting of the *Three Canticles of Isaiah* was commissioned by the Saint Andrew Music Society of Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the dedication of our Casavant pipe organ.)

*DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise God, all crea - tures
here be - low; Praise God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly
host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(The table of our Lord Jesus Christ is open to all who are baptized. Those who do not wish to take Communion are invited to remain seated in prayer. You are asked to join in the responses as indicated.)

INVITATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

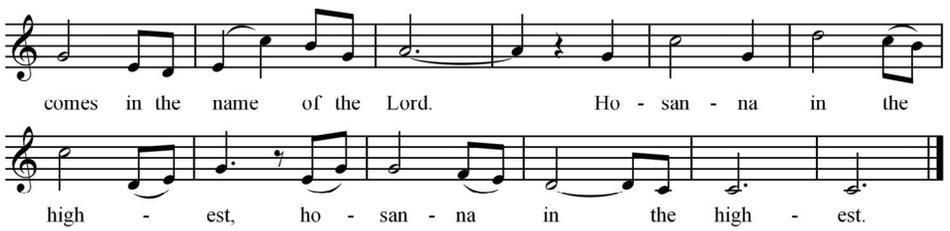
COMMUNION PRAYER

“...who forever sing to the glory of your name:”

SANCTUS

MacMillan

(Organ) Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly
Lord, God of power and might. Heav'n and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bles - sed is he, O bles - sed is he who



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(Communion Prayer continues) "...therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:"

ACCLAMATION

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BREAKING BREAD & SHARING THE CUP

Pastor: Gifts of God for the people of God.

People: Let us keep the feast.

DISTRIBUTION

When the pastors take their serving places, please come forward, using the center aisle, beginning with the front row. The white bread is made from wheat; darker bread in the center is gluten-free rice bread. The bronze chalices contain wine; the glass chalices contain grape juice. Hold out your hands, one open palm placed on the other, and bread will be placed in your hand. For rice bread, please take it yourself, exercising care not to touch other pieces. You may eat the bread and move to the cup of wine to drink or dip your bread before eating, or move to the cup of juice and dip your bread, exercising care not to touch the liquid or cup with your fingers. Those unable to come forward will be served in their pews. If not communing, please remain in your pew in prayer.

COMMUNION ANTHEM (11:15 am)

Ain't Got Time to Die *African-American Spiritual*
arr. Hall Johnson (1888-1970)

Lord, I keep so busy praising my Jesus, Ain't got time to die.
'Cause when I'm healin' the sick, I'm praisin' my Jesus,
Ain't got time to die.

'Cause it takes all of my time to praise my Jesus,
All of my time to praise my Lord.
If I don't praise Him the rocks gonna cry out,
"Glory and honor!" Ain't got time to die.

Lord, I keep so busy workin' for the Kingdom, Ain't got time to die.
'Cause when I'm feeding the poor, I'm working for the Kingdom,
Ain't got time to die.

Lord, I keep so busy servin' my master, Ain't got time to die.
'Cause when I give it my all,
Ain't got time to die.

Now won't you get out of my way, let me praise my Jesus.
Out of my way, let me praise my Lord.
If I don't praise Him the rocks gonna cry out,
"Glory and honor!" Ain't got time to die.

Tommy Wazelle, tenor

