# <u>September 12, 2021</u>

#### Prelude

### Welcome

(Parents: when you pick up your children from Sunday School, please remember to sign them out. This is for safety reasons.)

Opening Song (10am)

"Jesus Loves Me"

Praise Band

Children's Message (10am)

**Pastor Tom** 

## Confession and Forgiveness

P: God is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Trusting these words, we confess our sins...silence for reflection...Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion, forgive our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may always give honor and glory to you. Help us know your grace and peace. In Jesus' name. Amen

#### Peace

P: Jesus taught that we should be reconciled with each other before we worship. He also greeted his disciples after his resurrection with a word of peace. Following his command and example, may the peace of Christ be with you all!

C: And also with you!

## Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Gospel Mark 8:27-38

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter. (*The Gospel is proclaimed, ending with...*)

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message (5pm & 8:30am)

**Pastor Tom** 

Sermon Pastor Tom

Music for Reflection

"The Power of the Cross"

Kim Kielgas

## Prayers of the Church

L: Let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

### ...a brief silence...

God of love, you have made yourself known through bread and wine, water and word. May the church always be a place where your presence is experienced.

You brought life into being and called it good. Bring new creation to lands devastated by tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, fires, and other disasters.

You desire all people to live in peace and safety. Strengthen first responders to help meet the complex needs of others as they provide care and compassion.

Caring God, you announce release to the captives and freedom to the oppressed. We pray for all who suffer in body, mind, and spirit, as well as those on our prayer list and those we silently name before you now...a brief silence.

As you gather this community together, shape us so that our prayer, praise, and worship always honors you and encourages each other.

Redeeming God, you accompany your people through every stage of life. We give you thanks for our loved ones and all others who now rest in your embrace. Be with all who mourn.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### C: Amen

#### \*Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

# The Lord's Prayer

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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

#### Communion Distribution

#### Communion Music

"Days of Elijah"

Shepherd's Voices

## **Communion Blessing**

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen

## **Prayer after Communion**

L:Let us pray. God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

#### Announcements

#### Benediction

P: The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

Sending Song (5pm & 8:30am) "Lift High the Cross" (10am) "Blessed Be Your Name"

Randy Casey

Praise Band

## Sending

L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

<u>PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:</u> Laura Hestroffer, Lewis Sanchez, Ann Downing, Kent Taylor, Nancy Gaenzele, Zamerano Family, Rev. Roger Schneider, Carl Brooke, Sharie Moy, Gloria Mack, Diane Blauw, Mary Jane Drenning, Arlene Splitt, Doug Lewis, Ray Franklin, Theresa Lichte, Pastor Kara Baylor, Halie Stubblefield, Lorraine Murphy.