

**Sunday Worship**  
**September 12, 2021**

*Nursery care is available for children up to age 3  
in the Nursery on the first floor of the Education Building*

**Prelude**

Antonio Vivaldi

“Qui sedes” from *Gloria*

*Shanna Nolan-Gundry*

“Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.”

“He who sits at the Father’s right hand,  
Have mercy on us.”

**Welcome**

**Ringing of the Bell**

The original church bell is rung in memory of John (1915-2007) and Ruth (1917-2005) Paulson, who are honored in our Memorial Garden.

**Opening Prayer**

**First Scripture Reading**

Genesis 1:28-30

“God blessed them and said to them, ‘Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and master it. Take charge of the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, and everything crawling on the ground.’ Then God said, ‘I now give to you all the plants on the earth that yield seeds and all the trees whose fruit produces its seeds within it. These will be your food. To all wildlife, to all the birds of the

sky, and to everything crawling on the ground—to everything that breathes—I give all the green grasses for food.’ And that’s what happened.”

## Hymn of Praise

Kingsfold

“Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”

“Today we all are called to be disciples of the Lord,  
To help to set the captive free, make plowshare out of sword,  
To feed the hungry, quench their thirst, make love and peace our fast,  
To serve the poor and homeless first, our ease and comfort last.

God made the world and at its birth ordained our human race  
To live as stewards of the earth, responding to God’s grace.  
But we are vain and sadly proud, we sow not peace but strife,  
Our discord spreads a deadly cloud that threatens all of life.

Pray justice may come rolling down as in a mighty stream,  
With righteousness in field and town to cleanse us and redeem.  
For God is longing to restore an earth where conflicts cease,  
A world that was created for a harmony of peace.

May we in service to our God act out the living word,  
And walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard.  
As stewards of the earth may we give thanks in one accord  
To God who calls us all to be disciples of the Lord.”

## **Prayers of the People**

### **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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.”

### **Time with the Children**

#### **Gathering Song: “Jesus Loves Me”**

“Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;  
Little ones to him belong; they are weak but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.”

*Children up to 3 years old may go to the Nursery (Nursery Rm)*

*Children 3 years old through Kindergarten are excused for Bible Bunch (Bible Bunch Rm)*

*Children in grades 1 through 5 are excused for Sunday School (Sunday School Rm)*

*Children ages 11 and up are excused for Sunday School (Youth Rm)*

### **Special Music**

Franz Joseph Haydn

#### **“The Heavens Are Telling”**

“The heavens are telling the glory of God,  
The wonder of his work displays the firmament.

Today that is coming speaks it the day,  
The night that is gone to following night.

The heavens are telling the glory of God,  
The wonder of his work displays the firmament.

In all the lands resounds the word,  
Never unperceived, ever understood.

The heavens are telling the glory of God,  
The wonder of his work displays the firmament.”

## **Ministry of the Church**

### **Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.”

## **Special Music**

John Rutter

“As the Bridegroom to His Chosen”

“As the bridegroom to his chosen, as the king unto his realm,  
As the keeper to the castle, as the pilot to the helm,  
As the captain to his soldiers, as the shepherd to his lambs,  
So, Lord, art thou to me.

As the fountain in the garden, as the candle in the dark,  
As the treasure in the coffer, as the manna in the ark,  
As the firelight in the winter, as the sunlight in the spring,  
So, Lord, art thou to me.

As the music at the banquet, as the stamp unto the seal,  
As refreshment to the fainting, as the wine cup at the meal,  
As the singing on the feast day, as the amen to the prayer,  
So, Lord, art thou to me.

As the ruby in the setting, as the honey in the comb,  
As the light within the lantern, as the father in the home,  
As the eagle in the mountains, as the sparrow in the nest,  
So art thou, Lord, to me.

As the sunshine in the heavens, as the image in the glass,  
As the fruit unto the fig tree, as the dew unto the grass,  
As the rainbow on the hilltop, as the river in the plain,  
So art thou, Lord, to me.”

## **Second Scripture**

Mark 6:31-46

“Many people were coming and going, so there was no time to eat. He said to the apostles, ‘Come by yourselves to a secluded place and rest for a while.’ They departed in a boat by themselves for a deserted place.

Many people saw them leaving and recognized them, so they ran ahead from all the cities and arrived before them. When Jesus arrived and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd. Then he began to teach them many things.

Late in the day, his disciples came to him and said, ‘This is an isolated place, and it’s already late in the day. Send them away so that they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy something to eat for themselves.’

He replied, ‘You give them something to eat.’

But they said to him, ‘Should we go off and buy bread worth almost eight months’ pay and give it to them to eat?’

He said to them, ‘How much bread do you have? Take a look.’

After checking, they said, ‘Five loaves of bread and two fish.’

He directed the disciples to seat all the people in groups as though they were having a banquet on the green grass. They sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. He took the five loaves and the two fish, looked up to heaven, blessed them, broke the loaves into pieces, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. Everyone ate until they were full. They filled twelve baskets with the leftover pieces of bread and fish. About five thousand had eaten.

Right then, Jesus made his disciples get into a boat and go ahead to the other side of the lake, toward Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. After saying good-bye to them, Jesus went up onto a mountain to pray.”

**Sermon**

**Rev. Rapier**

“When You Feel Tired”

## **Benediction**

### **Postlude**

Alfred Fedak

#### “The Kingsfold Trumpet”



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