THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Pre-Service Music

Welcome, Announcements, and Service Notes

Prelude "Wayfaring Stranger" Hayes

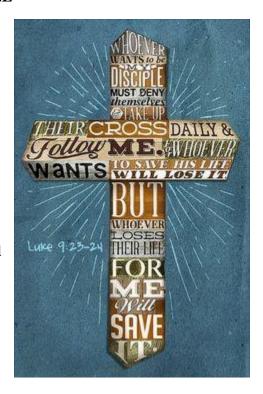
Call to Worship & Prayer of the Day

Hymn "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples" KINGSFOLD

Call to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of mercy, we confess that, like the disciples, we set out minds not on divine things but on human things. Doubting your loving care, we grab for more than we need. Doubting your loving purposes, we shrink from living as your followers. Doubting your loving plan, we become stumbling blocks in your creation. We confess that our love for you and for others has not been genuine. We have not held fast to what is good, and we have lagged in affection for our fellow human beings. We have not been patient in suffering, nor what we persevered in prayer. We have repaid evil for evil and have failed to live peaceably with all. Forgive us that we may gain new life in you, for it is in Jesus' forgiving name we pray. Amen.



(Moment for Silent Reflection)

Declaration of Forgiveness & The Peace of Christ

THE WORD OF GOD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Gospel Lesson Matthew 16: 21 - 28 **Epistle Lesson** Romans 12: 9 - 21

Sermon Crosses and Coals Rev. Anthony L. Larson

Hymn "As a Chalice Cast of Gold" INWARD LIGHT

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

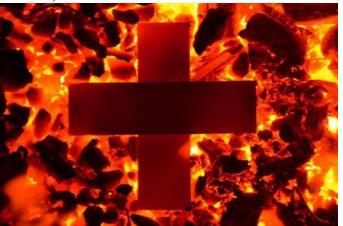
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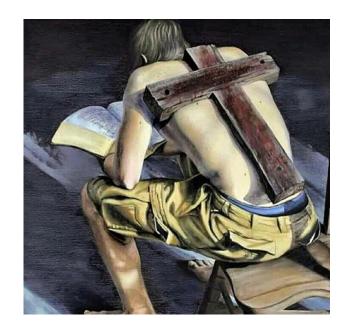
Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate; Light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death. Victory is ours; victory is ours through God who loves us.

SENT BY GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

Hymn "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord" REPTON

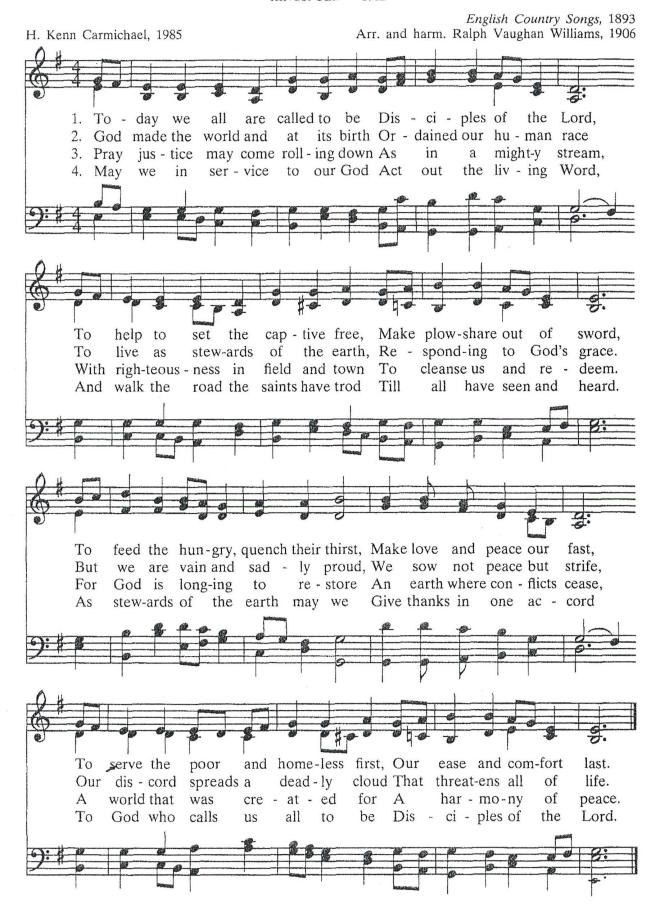
Charge & Benediction Postlude





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