

# *Service for the Lord's Day*

## *The Gathering*

### WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN SING

*My Country, 'Tis of Thee*

MATERNA

**My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing:  
Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrims' pride,  
from every mountainside let freedom ring.**

*O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

MATERNA

**O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!**

INTROIT

*Hymn for America*  
Summer Choir

Stephen Paulus

We have loved you for your rivers,  
we have loved you for your shores,  
Ev'ry treasure you have shown us,  
Ev'ry seed that you have sown;  
We have loved you for your mountains,  
For your prairies, for your fields,  
All these gifts we have been given,  
All these glories that we share;  
Now we thank God for these blessings,  
We, your people, ev'rywhere.

Many are the stars of heaven,  
Many are the hopes of earth;  
All around us worlds unfolding,  
All around these dreams to grow.  
From the moment of our rising  
'till we rest when day is done;  
May we tell our hearts' own story,  
Hearts that honor and believe.  
Through our care for one another,  
For this life and land we love.

*Michael Dennis Brown*

### PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

\*HYMN 331

*God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

NATIONAL HYMN

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

**Spirit of the Living God, your fruit includes love, peace, patience and kindness, but we are a divided, hateful people. We turn to violent means and violent words to settle our disputes. We are impatient with each other and fail to honor your commandment to love. Our idols fascinate and distract us from your rightful path. Forgive us. Turn us from our sinful ways. Set us free in Jesus Christ.**

*Time for silent prayer.*

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*RESPONSE HYMN 297 *In Christ Called to Baptizē* (vs. 4)

ST. DENIO

**Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love,  
for you are within us, around us, above.  
Equip us for service with gifts you bestow.  
In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.**

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Children who are entering kindergarten through rising third graders are welcome to come forward and be dismissed through the side door for Faith Formation activities. Rising 4th and 5th graders are welcome to join the group as assistants to the adult leaders or may stay in worship if they prefer.*

## *The Word*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalm 33

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Galatians 5:1, 13–15

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*Freedom!*

Rev. Steve Jester

## *The Response*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *read in unison*

*The Nicene Creed*

*Found on page 34 in the Glory to God hymnal.*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *read responsively*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts! **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *read in unison*

**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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION *Thee We Adore, O Hidden Savior* *arr. Dale Wood*  
Guy Younce, organist

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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We welcome you to scan this QR code to visit the Giving page on our website.  
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OFFERTORY ANTHEM *With a Voice of Singing*

Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!	O be joyful in God, all ye lands.
Utter it even unto the ends of the earth. The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia!	O sing praises to the honor of His name, make His praise to be glorious. With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia!

\*DOXOLOGY 608    *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*    PRAISE GOD (HOPSON)

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow;    Praise Christ all  
peo - ple here be - low;    Praise Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er -  
more;    Praise Tri - une God whom we a - dore!

SHARING GRACE

## *The Sending*

\*HYMN 339

*Lift Every Voice and Sing*

LIFT EVERY VOICE

\*BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Toccata Brevis*

Daniel Gawthrop

Guy Younce, guest organist

*We are called to go out from our worship to share the grace of God with one another and the world.*

*You are welcome to remain seated for the postlude or exit quietly.*

## *In Worship Today*

### PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*Our life is in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. The Bible is the written witness to Jesus Christ, therefore it is "The Word of Life." Our lives are claimed by God through our baptism. It is God's seal on who we are as the children of God, therefore it is "The Font of Identity." The Table is the center of our home in the Body of Christ, the place where we are welcomed, renewed, and strengthened for the life to which we are called, therefore it is "The Table of Sustenance."*

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in celebration of the birthdays of Walter Crutcher and Tess Crutcher by Cheryl Cooper.

### USHERS

Gene Smith, Connie Smith, Diana Jester, Dixie Baird, Brian Heil, Sarah Middleton

### OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Steve Jester, preacher; Rev. Jordan Akin & Rev. Rich Gianzero, liturgists;  
Ricky Case, lay reader

Summer Choir; Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Guy Younce, guest organist

Evan Vicic, audio/video engineer; Elliott Nichols, Technology Coordinator

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## *We Lift Up in Prayer*

Robin Seiler and her family in the death of her father, Jim Hornback.

Eunice and Rob Shishmanian and their family on the death of husband and father,  
Charlie, 6/4/22.

Vicki, Rob, and Betsy Reuther and their family on the death of husband and father,  
James, 5/27/22.

Christina Recktenwald and her family on the death of her brother-in-law, Ron  
Hunting, 5/16/22.

Bill McDowell and his family on the death of his sister, Judy Stanton, 5/12/22.

Melinda Mast and her family on the death of her husband, Dr. Bob Hilgers, 5/1/22.

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# 331 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

(optional)

1 God of the a - ges, whose al-might - y  
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the  
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -  
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
 past. In this free land by thee our lot is cast.  
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense.  
 way. Lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day.

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,  
 Be thou our rul - er, guard - ian, guide, and stay:  
 Thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease.  
 Fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.  
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.  
 Thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

This hymn was generated by 19th-century centennial celebrations: the words by the Declaration of Independence and the music by the adoption of the United States Constitution. Despite these origins, no specific nation is mentioned in this hymn of praise and prayer for peace.

# 339 Lift Every Voice and Sing

1 Lift ev - ery voice and sing till earth and heav - en  
 2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - tening  
 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent

ring, ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -  
 rod, felt in the days when hope un - born had  
 tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the

ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - tening  
 died. Yet, with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry  
 way; thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the

skies; let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.  
 feet come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?  
 light, keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

Initially a poem for a school assembly at which Booker T. Washington spoke on Lincoln's birthday in 1900, this text and tune have gained national recognition and devotion, not only within the African American community, but also among all who seek liberation from oppression.

THE LIFE OF THE NATIONS

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
 We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;  
 Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;

sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought  
 we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh -  
 lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get

us. Fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be -  
 tered, out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at  
 thee; shad - owed be - neath thy hand may we for - ev - er

gun, let us march on, till vic - to - ry is won.  
 last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.  
 stand, true to our God, true to our na - tive land.