
We are Sent with God's Blessing

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Benediction (May the Peace of God)"

**1. May the peace of God, our heav'nly Father,
and the grace of Christ, the risen Son, and the fellowship of God the Spirit
keep our hearts and minds within His love.**

Chorus

**And to Him be praise for His glorious reign,
from the depths of earth to the heights of heaven;
we declare the name of the Lamb once slain--
Christ eternal, the King of kings.**

**2. May this peace which passes understanding,
and this grace which makes us what we are,
and this fellowship of His communion make us one in spirit and in heart.**

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Worship Participants

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Ordinary Time

November 26, 2017

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

God Gathers Us for Worship

Welcome

*Call to Worship: Psalm 100 p.937

*Opening Song: "Sing Praise to the Lord, You People of Grace" LUYH 7:1,2,4

*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

*Song of Praise: "Lord Most High" LUYH 593

We Are Renewed in God's Grace

Prayer of Confession

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all.

We confess that we have not bowed before him
or acknowledged his rule in our lives.

We have gone along with the ways of the world
and fail to be governed by justice and love.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all,

that we may be your faithful people,

obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (based on Revelation 5:5, 9-10)

Do not weep!

See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed.

With his blood he has purchased people for God
from every tribe and language and people and nation.

He has made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God,
and they will reign on the earth.

Thanks be to God!

*Song: "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" LUYH 109

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Children's Blessing: "Don't Be Afraid" LUYH 429

Children ages 3 years old through Kindergarten are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary to receive a prayer of blessing before going downstairs to the Multi-Purpose Room for a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.

Scripture: Isaiah 11:1-11 p.1076

Sermon: "The Christ Who Reaches" Pastor Rick Van Ravenswaay

*Song of Response: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" LUYH 601:1-3

We Offer Our Gifts and Prayers

Offertory Prayer

We Offer our Gifts

Our Thanksgiving envelopes list a wide variety of causes to support with your Thanksgiving Day offerings. Extra envelopes are available on the back table in the fellowship hall. All undesignated offerings will go to the General Fund.

We Share Our Joys & Concerns and Pray for One Another

We Dedicate Ourselves to Holy Living

*Affirmation of Faith: Our Song of Hope

God will renew the world through Jesus,

who will put all unrighteousness out,

purify the works of human hands,

and perfect their fellowship in divine love.

Christ will wipe away every tear;

death shall be no more.

There will be a new heaven and a new earth,

and all creation will be filled with God's glory.

Come, Lord Jesus: We are open to your Spirit.

We await your full presence.

Our world finds rest in you alone.