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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Greeting

God is good.
All the time.
 And all the time.
God is good.

Call To Worship

Jesus Christ summons us
to answer God's call of mercy.
 Christ gathers us and gives us power
to be healed and to heal,
 to be forgiven and to forgive,
to be freed from sin and to set others free,
 to tell one another and the world:
God's presence is at hand.
 Let us worship God.

***Hymn #367 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come**

**1. Come, ye thankful people, come;
 raise the song of harvest home.
 All is safely gathered in,
 ere the winter storms begin.
 God, our Maker, doth provide
 for our wants to be supplied.
 Come to God's own temple, come;
 raise the song of harvest home.**

**2 All the world is God's own field,
 fruit in thankful praise to yield,
 wheat and tares together sown,
 unto joy or sorrow grown.
 First the blade, and then the ear,
 then the full corn shall appear.
 Lord of harvest, grant that we
 wholesome grain and pure may be.**

**3 For the Lord our God shall come,
 and shall take the harvest home;
 from each field shall in that day
 all offenses purge away;
 give the angels charge at last
 in the fire the tares to cast,
 but the fruitful ears to store
 in God's garner evermore.**

**4 Even so, Lord, quickly come
 to thy final harvest home.
 Gather thou thy people in,
 free from sorrow, free from sin,
 there forever purified,
 in thy presence to abide:
 come, with all thine angels, come;
 raise the glorious harvest home!**

***Call to Confession**

***Confession of Sin**

Triune God, Holy Three, Holy One, we confess that we do not know how to look for you. We do not sense your nearness, and if there are angels among us, we are unaware. We do not show the hospitality to strangers that Abraham showed to you. We do not trust that our hardships can be transformed by your Spirit. O Covenant-keeper, forgive us. Let us laugh with joy because your grace has made peace among us. Send us out with this good news so that others will also receive your blessing; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***Words of Grace**

In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.
(A sign of peace is exchanged.)

***Response: Hymn #441 Hear The Good News**

1. Hear the good news of salvation:
Jesus died to show God's love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy!
Come to us from heaven above.
Jesus Christ, how much I love you!
Jesus Christ, you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me.
Love me still and cleanse within.

1. Wotantin waste nahon po,
Jesus he waih dusna:
towaosida kin tanka,
he dehan iyomahi.
Jesus Christ wastewadaka,
Jesus Christ nimayan: han,
wastewadake amatonwe
is eya wastemada.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**Prayer for Illumination**

First reading: Gen. 18:1-15; 21:1-7 (page 13)

The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God

Children's Chat

Carol Lerner

Second reading: Matt. 9:35-10:23 (page 843)

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God

Sermon

“Would YOU Take this Job?”

Dick Lunde

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn #171 A Sower Came From Ancient Hills

1. A Sower came from ancient hills
and cast good seed abroad:
his field, ten thousand human hearts;
his seed, the word of God.
And some who listened would not hear,
and some who heard forgot.
But some received in fertile soil
the truth the Sower taught.

2. A Sower walked throughout the land
and, everywhere he trod,
he sowed his life because he was
himself the Seed of God.
But then, atop a barren hill,
beneath a darkening sky,
they threw God's Seed on stony ground
and left it there to die.

3. The Seed was buried deep in death
beneath a blood-red sky,
and deeper still was buried hope
for those who watched him die.
But then, in Joseph's garden fair,
as dawn broke o'er the land,
the Seed, from three days' silent sleep,
awoke at God's command!

4. O Christ, you come among us still,
the Sower and the Seed.
As once you sowed the truth of God
in glowing word and deed,
implant your Word in waiting hearts,
and let it there take hold,
until it bears in fruitful lives
a harvest hundredfold.

Affirmation of Faith - Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty,
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Offering

Musical Offering

There's A Spirit of Love

by Mark A. Miller

*Praise God (Hymn #608)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore.

***Prayer of Dedication and 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 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.

SENDING OUT IN GOD'S NAME

Sending the Church into Mission Rick and others

The Mission of Prospect Church

To be a family in Christ reaching out to all with love, prayer, and service. Through worship, education, mission, and fellowship, we experience God's love, forgiveness, grace, and call.

***Hymn #51 To Abraham and Sarah**

**1. To Abraham and Sarah the call of God was clear:
"Go forth and I will show you a country rich and fair.
You need not fear the journey, for I have pledged my word
that you shall be my people and I will be your God."**

**2. From Abraham and Sarah arose a pilgrim race,
dependent for their journey on God's abundant grace;
and in their heart was written by God this saving word,
"That you shall be my people and I will be your God."**

**3. We of this generation on whom God's hand is laid
can journey to the future secure and unafraid,
rejoicing in God's goodness and trusting in this word,
"That you shall be my people and I will be your God."**

***Benediction and Congregational Response**

Hymn #372 v 3

**3. We welcome one world family
and struggle with each choice
that opens us to unity
and gives our vision voice.**

Postlude