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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

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.  
**God's steadfast love endures forever.**  
 Maintain justice, and do what is right.  
**God our Savior is coming soon.**  
 Let us worship God.

### \*Hymn #301 Let Us Build A House

**1. Let us build a house where love can dwell  
 and all can safely live,  
 a place where saints and children tell  
 how hearts learn to forgive.  
 Built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
 rock of faith and vault of grace;  
 here the love of Christ shall end divisions:**

Refrain:

**all are welcome; all are welcome;  
 all are welcome in this place.**

**2. Let us build a house where prophets speak,  
 and words are strong and true,  
 where all God's children dare to seek  
 to dream God's reign anew.  
 Here the cross shall stand as witness  
 and as symbol of God's grace;  
 here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:  
 (Refrain)**

**3. Let us build a house where love is found  
 in water, wine, and wheat;**

**a banquet hall on holy ground  
 where peace and justice meet.  
 Here the love of God, through Jesus,  
 is revealed in time and space;  
 as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:  
 (Refrain)**

**4. Let us build a house where hands will reach  
 beyond the wood and stone  
 to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,  
 and live the Word they've known.  
 Here the outcast and the stranger  
 bear the image of God's face;  
 let us bring an end to fear and danger:  
 (Refrain)**

**5. Let us build a house where all are named,  
 their songs and visions heard  
 and loved and treasured,  
 taught and claimed as words within the Word.  
 Built of tears and cries and laughter,  
 prayers of faith and songs of grace;  
 let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:  
 (Refrain)**

**\*Call to Confession**

**\*Confession of Sin**

**Have mercy on us, Lord Jesus; we are tormented! Our lives have been disrupted by our own devilish desires and evil exploits. We are dismayed at your presence, anguished by the awful fallout of our own failures. We cannot take back what we have said or undo what we have done or atone for the agony we have caused. We are haunted by the past, plagued by the present, and fearful of the future. We shrink away from your gaze as strangers outside your circle of blessing. Yet the faith you have planted in us reaches out for your favor, returns to your presence, and hungers for your mercy, 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. Wotanin waste nahon po,  
 Jesus he waihdusna:  
 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: Matthew 15:10-28**

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

**Children's Chat**

Rita Boyer

**Second reading: Genesis 45:1-15**

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

**Sermon**

***Bold Moves***

Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

### \*Hymn #649 Amazing Grace

1. Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come.

'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

4. The Lord has promised good to me;  
his word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

5. When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.

### \*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

#### \*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

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 #343 Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

1. Where cross the crowded ways of life,  
where sound the cries of race and clan,  
above the noise of selfish strife,  
we hear your voice, O Son of Man.

2. In haunts of wretchedness and need,  
on shadowed thresholds fraught with fears,  
from paths where hide the lures of greed,  
we catch the vision of your tears.

3. From tender childhood's helplessness,  
from human grief and burdened toil,  
from famished souls, from sorrow's stress,  
your heart has never known recoil.

4. The cup of water given for you  
still holds the freshness of your grace;  
yet long these multitudes to view  
the sweet compassion of your face.

5. O Master, from the mountainside,  
make haste to heal these hearts of pain;  
among these restless throngs abide;  
O tread the city's streets again;

6. Till all the world shall learn your love,  
and follow where your feet have trod;  
till glorious from your heaven above  
shall come the city of our God.

#### \*Benediction and Congregational Response

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

### Postlude