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is to be a city-center church
compelled by Christ's love
to make disciples in our homes, city, and the world.*

Worship Service | September 26, 2021
11:00 AM

PRELUDE

PREPARING HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" arr. by Molly Ijames

THE PRAISE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

Reader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into His presence with singing!

People: Know that the LORD, He is God! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Reader: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His name!

People: For the LORD is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.

†PRAYER OF INVOCATION

†HYMNS OF PRAISE

*"Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast"
"Speak, O Lord"*

† Please stand as you are able.

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Philippians 2:5-11

**Have this mind among yourselves,
which is yours in Christ Jesus,
Who, though He was in the form of God,
did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,
but emptied Himself,
by taking the form of a servant,
being born in the likeness of men.
And being found in human form,
He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
Therefore God has highly exalted Him
and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name.
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

CONFESSON OF SIN

**Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned
against You in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved You with
all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our
neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong
we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, You are full
of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy;
there is always forgiveness with You! Restore to us the joy of Your
salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds,
strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and
let Your word abide with us until it has wrought in us Your holy will.
Amen.**

HYMN OF ASSURANCE

"Nothing but the Blood"

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

"We Believe" by Dan Forrest

GREETING & DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH*

*Please check in your children PreK-1st grade at the check-in station by the FH level elevator and walk them to the PreK-K dept.

†Doxology

THE WORD FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

SERMON

"The Greatest Stories Ever Told: A Study of the Parables"

Mark 4:10-20: "The Gospel from the Ground Up"

Dr. Gabe Fluhrer

†HYMN OF RESPONSE

"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

THE SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

†BENEDICTION

Ephesians 3:18-21

Pastor: May you have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

POSTLUDE

Celtic Ensemble

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul with The Priest's Leap Reel" arr. Craig Duncan

The flowers today are given to the glory of God in memory of James McKinney's life well lived & loved, by his wife Linda & their four daughters; Dawn, Meredith, Blair, and Jamie.

Flowers from today's display will be arranged by the flower committee and delivered by volunteers to our homebound and hospitalized on Monday, September 27th.

Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast

G D7 Em C G D7 G

1. Al-might - y_ God, Your Word is cast like seed in - to the ground;—
2. Let not the_ foe of Christ and man this ho - ly_ seed re - move, —
3. Let not the_ world's de - ceit - ful cares the ris - ing_ plant de - stroy, —
4. Oft as the_ pre - cious seed is sown, your quick - 'ning grace be - stow, —

C G Em G D7 G

now let_ the_ dew of heav'n de - scend, and right - eous fruits a - bound.
but give_ it_ root in ev - 'ry_ heart to bring forth fruits of love.
but let_ it_ yield a hun - dred - fold the fruits of_ peace and joy.
that all whose souls the truth_ re - ceive, its sav - ing_ pow'r may know.

John Cawood, 1819

AMAZING GRACE, C.M.
Traditional American melody
Arr. by Edwin O. Excell, 1900



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