



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

9:00 AM

23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Worshiping separately, together.

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WORSHIP NOTES

Welcome to our church family today as we celebrate the presence of the risen Jesus Christ in our lives and in our world. We pray that you will experience God—Father, Son, Holy Spirit—as you worship with us this morning.

Enjoy the music conveniently printed in the back of this bulletin so you can follow along at home! Have your Bible ready to follow along with the scripture.



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MONDAY-FRIDAY: 9 AM - 2 PM

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Rejoice, Rejoice Believers" PIANO
arr. Michael Mazzatenta, Onelicense.net lic. # A-708055
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WELCOME

"AMAZING GRATITUDE" TEMPLE TALK

SHERYL KLEMPERER

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates,
redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection

P: Faithful God,

C: have mercy on us.

**We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.
We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.
We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.
We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.
Make us humble, cast away our transgressions,
and turn us again to life in you
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God hears the cries of all who call out in need,
and through his death and resurrection,
Christ has made us his own.
Hear the truth that God proclaims:
Your sins are forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.
Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness
to do God's work in the world.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"Rejoice, Rejoice Believers" LAST PAGES
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GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

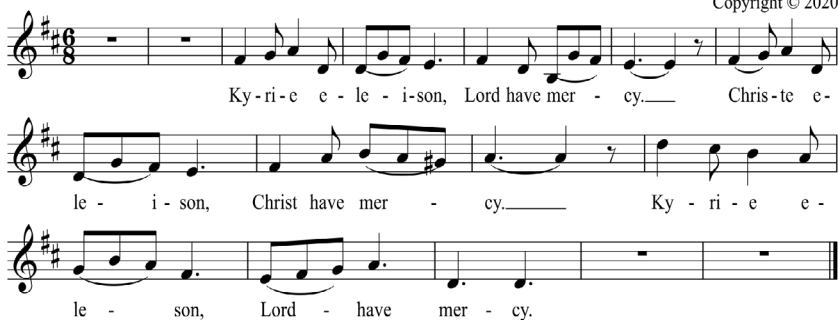
C: And also with you.

KYRIE

Kyrie Eleison

Mary Kay Bougie

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Musical notation for the Kyrie Eleison. The music is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The lyrics are: Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Lord have mer - cy. Chris - te e - le - i - son, Christ have mer - cy. Ky - ri - e e - le - son, Lord - have mer - cy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray,

O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

JULIE KLOCK

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Praise to the Lord"

ELW #844, Onelicense.net lic. # A-708055

WORD

READINGS

PSALM 70

1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"You Belong to Christ"

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Text: Holy Baptism and Related Rites,

Renewing Worship 3, Text © 2002

Augsburg Fortress.

*"You belong to Christ,
in whom you have been baptized.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia."*

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 25:1-13

P: The gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

PASTOR DAVID WEEKS

HYMN OF THE DAY

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" LAST PAGES

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
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

RECOGNITION OF OFFERING

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

"The Trumpets Sound, The Angels Sing" LAST PAGES
ELW #531, stanzas 1 & 3, CCLI License #2296957;

DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Blessed Assurance" PIANO
from Sunday Solos, Onelicense.net lic. # A-708055
#HL 00311272 Hal Leonard Publishing

PRAYER MINISTRY:

Today we pray especially for:

Jan (sister-in-law of Joyce & Borris), **Merlin, Sharon, Scott, Paula** (daughter of Judy), **Larry** (brother of Sandra), **Arliss, Valerie, Mark, Barbara, Tami, Sherry, Julie** (daughter of Joan), **Cindy, Inez, Ian** (grandson of Joan), **Brian, Joan, Tasha, Jennifer** (daughter-in-law of Sheila), **Eric, Bonnie** (sister of Jean), **Mary, Jim, Cariann, Jason, and Karen** (cousin of Carmen and Char).

*If you would like a visit from Pastor David,
please contact the Church Office at 645-8252.*

Last names are withheld for on-line privacy. Remember, God always knows who you are praying for!

THANK YOU, SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP LEADERS:

Musicians: Mary Kay Bougie.

Reader: Carmen Sevcik. Livestream: Bill Bleckwehl.

OFFERING: Please consider giving online via our website. Offering envelopes can also be mailed or dropped off in the lock box at the church (located at the office entrance). Automatic, recurring offering payments can be set up through Vanco (link on our website) or set up using bill pay at your bank.

ABOUT WORSHIP TODAY: Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory—the marriage feast of the lamb.

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You can do so on our website at www.northfieldstp.org/email*

IN-PERSON WORSHIP: Our in-person worship has been temporarily put on hold due to a sharp rise in the covid cases in MN and Rice County. We'll continue to watch the local situation closely.

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Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
 2 The watch-ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the bride-groom near;
 3 The saints, who here in pa - tience their cross and suf - f'rings bore,
 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



the eve-ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
 go forth as he ap - proach - es with al - le - lu - ias clear.
 shall live and reign for - ev - er when sor - row is no more.
 a - rise, O Sun so longed for, o'er this be - night-ed sphere.



The bride-groom is a - ris - ing and soon is draw-ing nigh.
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; the gates wide o - pen stand.
 A - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb they shall be - hold;
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; at mid - night comes the cry.
 A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; the bride-groom is at hand.
 in tri - umph cast be - fore him their di - a - dems of gold.
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion that sets your peo - ple free!

Text: Laurentius Laurenti, 1660–1722; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1823–1907
 Music: HAF TRONES LAMPA FÄRDIG, Swedish folk tune

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God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending



- 1 God, whose giv-ing knows no end-ing, from your rich and end-less store:
- 2 Skills and time are ours for press-ing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
- 3 Trea-sure, too, you have en-trust-ed, gain through pow'rs your grace con-ferred;



na-ture's won-der, Je-sus' wis-dom, cost-ly cross, grave's shat-tered door,
all at peace in health and free-dom, rac-es joined, the church made one.
ours to use for home and kin-dred, and to spread the gos-pel word.



gift-ed by you, we turn to you, of-f'ring up our-selves in praise;
Now di-rect our dai-ly la-bor, lest we strive for self a-lone;
O-pen wide our hands in shar-ing, as we heed Christ's age-less call,



thank-ful song shall rise for-ev-er, gra-cious do-nor of our days.
born with tal-ents, make us ser-vants fit to an-swer at your throne.
heal-ing, teach-ing, and re-claim-ing, serv-ing you by lov-ing all.

Text: Robert L. Edwards, 1915–2006

Music: RUSTINGTON, C. Hubert H. Parry, 1848–1918

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The Feast Is Ready

The Trumpets Sound, The Angels Sing

Words and Music by
Graham Kendrick

stanzas 1 & 3

$\text{♩} = 153$ **VERSE**

1. The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing,
2. Ta - bles are lad - en with — good things,
3. The hun - gry heart He sat - is - fies,

the feast is read - y to — be - gin; The gates of
O taste the peace and joy — He brings; He'll fill you
of - fers the poor His par - a - dise; Now hear all

1.
heav'n are o - pen wide, and Je - sus wel - comes you — in - side.
up with love — di - vine, He'll turn your
heav'n and earth — ap - plaud the a - maz -

2, 3. **CHORUS**

wa - ter in - to wine. Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure — de - light,
ing good - ness of the Lord.

come and rev - el in Heav - en's love — and light; Take your place at the

ta - ble of — the King, the feast is read - y to — be - gin,

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the feast is read - y to — be - gin.

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