* Call to Worship: Psalm 117

Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!

* God's Greeting

* Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! #323:1,3,4 (HFG)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see. Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee; Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea; Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

* Come, Christians, Join to Sing #342:1,2 (HFG)

Come, Christians, join to sing; Alleluia! Amen! Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen! Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice; Praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high; Alleluia! Amen! Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen! He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend; His love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

* Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

#377:1,3 (HFG)

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, Opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the dark of doubt away;

Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, Well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, All who live in love are Thine; Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Call to Confession: Psalm 130:1-4

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!
O Lord, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!
If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?
But with you there is forgiveness,
that you may be feared.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance: Psalm 130:5-8

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the LORD!
For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.

And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

The Lord, My Shepherd Rules My Life #23:1,2,5 (PH)

(Children 3 years old – 2nd grade are invited to Children's Church in the Ed. Building during this song.)

The Lord, my Shepherd rules my life And gives me all I need; He leads me by refreshing streams, In pastures green I feed.

The Lord revives my failing strength, He makes my joy complete; And in right paths, for His name's sake, He guides my faltering feet.

Your goodness and Your gracious love Pursue me all my days; Your house, O Lord, shall be my home Your name, my endless praise.

Offertory Prayer

Offering: Building the Future

Offertory Ministry of Music

Morning Prayer

* Lord, Speak to Me

#625:1,3 (HFG)

Lord, speak to me that I may speak In living echoes of Thy tone. As Thou hast sought, so let me seek Thy erring children lost and lone.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach The precious things Thou dost impart; And wing my words, that they may reach The hidden depths of many a heart.

* **Scripture:** *Matthew* 9:35-38 (NIV)

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³⁵ Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸ Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message: Right Under Our Noses

Prayer

* We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

#659:1,3 (HFG)

We've a story to tell to the nations That shall turn their hearts to the right. A story of truth and mercy, A story of peace and light, A story of peace and light.

Refrain: For the darkness shall turn to dawning, And the dawning to noonday bright. And Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth, The kingdom of love and light.

We've a message to give to the nations
That the Lord who reigneth above
Hath sent us His Son to save us
And show us that God is love,
And show us that God is love.

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* God's Blessing

* To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory, to God be the glory,

With his blood he has saved me; With his power he has raised me.

To God be the glory for the things he has done:

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#632 (PH)

Right Under Our NosesMatthew 9:35-38

Worship services are broadcast live in the church basement for anyone who is unable to worship in the sanctuary. The sanctuary is equipped with an assistive listening system. Please switch hearing aids to "T" to use this system.

* join us in standing if able

Pastor: Steve

Prayer: Lance H, Fred Y

Music: Dick B, Mike H, Nancy Z

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