

Prelude

EWS Band

“Come Thou Fount”

Words by Robert Robinson; Music by John Wyeth

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 145:8-13

The Lord is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love.

The Lord is good to all;
he has compassion on all he has made.

All your works praise you, Lord;
your faithful people extol you.

They tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might,
so that all people may know of your mighty acts
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures through all generations.

Welcome

Rev. Mark van Stee

*Call to Worship

“Way Maker”

Youth Band

(The congregation is invited to sing along.)

*Songs of Gathering and Praise

“Come Now Is the Time to Worship”

Jonah Hansen, Piano
James Heusser, Cajon

“How Great Is Our God”

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Mark van Stee

Leader: God our Heavenly Father,
In your son, Jesus Christ, you have given us grace incarnate.
Forgive us for when we have failed to witness to...
the reality of this grace;
the beauty of this grace;
the bounty of this grace.

**People: Forgive us for our hypocrisy and our pride, our self-righteousness
and our self-satisfaction. May we extend grace to others as you have done
so to us.**

In Christ Jesus we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (2 Timothy 1:9-10)

Leader: He (God) has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of
anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace.

**People: This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of
time, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior,
Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality
to light through the gospel.**

God's Will for Our Lives (1 Peter 4:8-10)

Leader: Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ.

People: To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

***Song of Response**

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Ruth Pfister, Organ

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 103:8-13a

Aaron Cherukara

New Testament Reading

Matthew 3:13-17

Bence Czipo

Sermon

"A Revealing Introduction"

Rev. Mark van Stee

***Song of Dedication**

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

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Communion

Invitation

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Leader: With joy we praise you, gracious God...

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Leader: Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit...

We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray saying:

The Lord's Prayer

The Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer of Dedication of Tithes & Offerings

Brian Sparks, Treasurer

Offertory

"By Faith"

IPC Singers

Words and music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend

Arr. Shane Coffman and Mike Rogers

Prayers of the People

Brian Sparks

Welcome of GuestsAnnelies Guthman, Elder for
Adult Education & Retreats**Announcements*****Closing Song**

"In Christ Alone"

Gordon Schultz, Piano

***Pastoral Benediction**

Rev. Mark van Stee

PostludeToccata in Seven
John Rutter (1945)

Ruth Pfister, Organ

**Please stand if you are able.*

Today's bulletin cover features a representation of a wood engraving from the English artist Eric Gill (1882-1940) entitled "The Baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist from the Four Gospels."

Today's musicians:

Evening Worship Band

Vocals	Rachel Bühler-Hershey
Violin	Youp Cobben
Piano	Andrew Jehle
Cajon	James Heusser

Youth Band

Vocals	Alina Henne, Claire Altermatt, Elena Kleimenova
Keyboard	Aaron Cherukara
Piano	Noemi Soluch
Oboe	Tessa Henne
Bassoon	Yuuki Numao
Electric Guitar	Prashan Richard
Percussion	Soren Müller