



# Sunday Morning Worship Celebration

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Luke 12:49-59 |  
Understanding  
Jesus

**March 16, 2025**

The Gospel of  
Luke: Love Came  
Down

## Gathering

### Prelude

Hunter addresses the congregation: "Welcome...please make your way to your seats and let's prepare our hearts for worship."

## Announcements

### Praise

#### Call to Worship | Isaiah 12 (responsive)

Leader: You will say in that day: "I will give thanks to you, O LORD, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me.

People: *"Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation."*

Leader: With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

People: *And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted."*

Leader: "Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

## The Invocation

**Praise | All Creatures Of Our God And King** [ Sovereign Grace (W/Strings) ]

Lynne plays violin 1 part. Anenaca plays violin 2 part.

**Praise | Great Are You Lord** [ All Sons & Daughters ]

## Confession & Assurance

### Need of Confession | 1 John 5:21

Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

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## Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, who is rich in mercy to all those who call upon You; hear us as we come to You humbly confessing our sins and transgressions, and imploring Your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken Your holy laws by our deeds and by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; grant that we may hereafter serve and please You in newness of life; through the merit of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Personal Confession of Sin

### Assurance of Pardon | 1 John 5:11–12

And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

### *Gospel Hymn | Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me* [Worth M. Lewallen IV (Strings Arr.)]

Lynne plays violin 1 part. Anenaca plays violin 2 part.

## Corporate Prayer & Giving

### The Lord's Prayer (unison) / Pastoral 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 the 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.

## Giving of Tithes and Offerings

### Offertory |

### *Gloria Patri* [Trinity Hymnal #735]

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## Hearing of the Word

### Sermon | Luke 12:49-59: "Understanding Jesus"

[49] "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! [50] I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! [51] Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. [52] For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. [53] They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." [54] He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, 'A shower is coming.' And so it happens. [55] And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. [56] You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time? [57] "And why do you not judge for yourselves what is right? [58] As you go with your accuser before the magistrate, make an effort to settle with him on the way, lest he drag you to the judge, and the judge hand you over to the officer, and the officer put you in prison. [59] I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the very last penny."

### **Affirmation of Faith | The 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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn of Response | May The Mind Of Christ My Savior* [ Dan Kreider ]

**Sending**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

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