

# **Sunday Morning Worship Celebration**

Luke 13:1-9 | "The Necessity of Repentance"

March 23, 2025

The Gospel of Luke: Love Came Down

# **Gathering**

#### **Prelude**

#### **Announcements**

#### **Praise**

# Call to Worship | Psalm 145:1-3

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.

#### The Invocation

**Praise** | **Praise To The Lord The Almighty** [ Andrew Whitaker ] Use capo chart for key of E-major.

Praise | 10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord) [ Matt Redman ] See violin and flute scores.

#### **Confession & Assurance**

### Need of Confession | Psalm 78:17-18

Yet they sinned still more against him, rebelling against the Most High in the desert. They tested God in their heart by demanding the food they craved.

#### **Corporate Confession of Sin**

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

#### **Personal Confession of Sin**

# Assurance of Pardon | Psalm 85:2

You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin. Selah

Gospel Hymn | Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery [ Strings Arr. ]

Lynne to play violin 1 part, Anenaca to play 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 | "My Jesus I Love Thee" with Massenet's "Meditiation" Arranged by Marilynn Ham.

# **Doxology**

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# **Hearing of the Word**

# Sermon | Luke 13:1-9, "The Necessity of Repentance"

[1] There were some present at that very time who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. [2] And he answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? [3] No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. [4] Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? [5] No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish." [6] And he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. [7] And he said to the vinedresser, 'Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?' [8] And he answered him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. [9] Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."

#### Affirmation of Faith | The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; he was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; he shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# *Hymn of Response* | *Be Thou My Vision* [ David Lutes ] Anenaca on mandolin.

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**Benediction** 

**Postlude**