

## **WELCOME**

### **PRELUDE**

*As the Wind Song, S.E. Murray*

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## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

### **HYMN 409**

*God Is Here, Abbot's Leigh*

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1 God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,  
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.  
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts  
wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

2 Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;  
here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place.  
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech,  
here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

3 Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;  
here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.  
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore  
what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

4 Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt  
keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.  
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive:  
we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION (congregation prays in silence)**

God of the outstretched arm, though you lead us into freedom, we choose again and again the chains of sin. Forgive us, we pray for bowing to the false gods of our time. We believe we

have made ourselves, rather than being made in your image—the work of your hands. We practice legalism against others yet expect exceptions for ourselves. Heal us where we are withered in hand or heart or faith. Stretch us beyond what we have managed or imagined, to live as you intend and command. In the name of Christ, who came to set us free (*continue with individual confession...*) Amen.

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Amy Poland

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So, he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore, Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So, Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

### **NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So, death is at work in us, but life in you.

**CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Joys and Concerns\*

Pastoral Prayer

*\*We will not be passing the microphone during service at this time. If you have a joy or concern that you'd like to share, please email Pastor Scott by Saturday: [scott@westminstermadison.org](mailto:scott@westminstermadison.org)*

**GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Leader: Eternal God (*prayer continues...*)

We pray in the prayer taught to us by our Lord Jesus Christ...

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**BREAKING OF BREAD AND POURING OF THE CUP**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**

*You Are My Strength*, D.L. Jerrigan

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**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (congregation prays in silence)

**God of grace, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May this food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.**

**HYMN**

*We Do Not Proclaim Ourselves*, Aberystwyth

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1. We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim that Christ is Lord.

Hear what the Apostle tells: Hear the truth and share the word!

Let the light of love now shine; in the darkness make it bright!

Glory in this light divine! Glory in the face of Christ!

2. We cry: "How much can we bear?" -yet we won't be crushed by sin.

We're perplexed yet won't despair! Christ is Lord and love will win!

We're worn down and we're oppressed, yet, O God, you're always near.

Given up in Jesus' death, we are raised to serve you here.

3. When we're facing troubles, Lord, When we wonder how to cope,  
May we learn this all the more: In Christ's death, you give us hope.  
Others' actions can't destroy All the love and life you bring.  
We choose to be filled with joy; Now in Christ, our spirits sing.

4. We have treasure in clay jars — treasure no one can remove.  
For your gift of life is ours; we choose to forgive and love.  
Lord, your Holy Spirit dwells In each one who shares your life.  
We do not proclaim ourselves; We proclaim our hope in Christ.

## CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*Variations on This Little Gospel Light of Mine*, K. Kolander

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- Please place offerings & friendship forms in the collection plates as you leave the sanctuary (located at each set of doors).

- Communion cups may be thrown in the baskets as you leave - also located at each sanctuary door. (They will be rinsed and recycled.)

### **Leaders Today**

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