



June 23, 2024

“That They May
Be One”

Preacher:
Rev. Dan Warnes

Welcome!

We encourage wearing name tags.

The Love of God Gathers Us

Gathering Music

We gently settle into sacred time and space

Ring the Bell

Prelude & Candle Lighting

“You Are Mine”

David

We acknowledge the light of Christ among us

Words of Welcome & Announcements

***Call to Worship** *(responsive)*

The way is long.
The way is difficult.
The way is joyful.
The way is Christ's, for Christ is the Way.

**Let us go together.
Let us help each other.
Let us share it.
Let us follow.**

***Opening Song (SPP #123)** "Draw the Circle Wide"
all verses

Acknowledging Our Need for God's Grace

Centering Ourselves

...as the singing bowl's vibrations invite us into depths of grace

Prayer of Confession and Longing *(unison)*

Loving God, you invite us to love you, our neighbors, and ourselves. Created and surrounded by Love, we are made whole in loving but sometimes lose our way. When we forget your infinite compassion for us, forgive us. When we withhold forgiveness from each other, forgive us. When we lose hope that we can ever love those who have hurt us, forgive us. Free us from all fear. Grant us grace, that we may begin again. Amen.

Musical Interlude *...to accompany our quiet prayers*

Assurance of Grace *(responsive)*

The peace of Christ be with you! And also with you!

***Passing the Peace**

To those with us online and onsite: smiles, peace signs, handshakes

A Time With Children and Youth

Sung Invitation

...as young people come forward

**This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine...
...let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

Singing “Happy Birthday”

Delores Davis (17th), **Rolf Dittmann** (17th), **Briar Bettin** (23rd - 5 yrs),
Andrea Dittmann (24th), **Forrest Whiterabbit, Jr** (24th), **Paul Spilseth** (25th),
Luke Dittmann (25th), **Shizuko Purnick** (26th)

Wondering Together

Blessing One Another

...with arms wide open

Children: God be with you

All: And also with you

Sung Affirmation

...as young people return to families

**Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine...
...let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

*Children are welcome to go to the playground (supervised by parents today)
Lisa, our childcare provider, returns next Sunday!
We welcome sounds and movements of children in worship*

Proclaiming God's Love

A Reading from the Psalms | *NIV*

Psalm 133

A Reading from the Epistles | *NIV*

Philippians 2:1-4

A Reading from the Gospels | *The Message*

John 17:21-24

Here ends the readings.

May God speak to us through these sacred words.

Morning Message

“That They May Be One”

Responding To God's Love

Prayer Song (SPP #61)

**"Call to Prayer"
all verses**

Prayers of the People

*We share aloud prayers for ourselves, others, and parts of the world
Please tell Pastor Clare if you prefer yours not be added to our printed Prayer Corner*

...God, in your love: **Hear our prayer**

Prayer of Jesus (*unison*)

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
the hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on Earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and testing, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.
Amen.**

Invitation to the Offering

*We give by cash, check or electronically (scanning the QR code)
Blue giving cards represent gifts made electronically.*



Offertory

“So the Day Dawn for Me”

Dudley-Smith

Offertory Response

**Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-u-ja.
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-u-ja.
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-u-ja.
Halleluja! Halleluja!**

***Prayer of Dedication** (*unison*)

Unifying God, we dedicate ourselves to you.

The way is long; may we go together.

The way is difficult; may we help each other.

The way is joyful; may we share it.

The way is Christ's, for Christ is the Way; may we follow.

The way is open before us, may we go. Amen.

***Closing Hymn (NCH #8)** “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

verses 1, 3 & 4

Going Forth to Share God’s Love

***Benediction**

***Sending Song**

Optionally linking elbows or hands

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

**Let there be peace on Earth, and let it begin with me
Let there be peace on Earth, the peace that was meant to be.**

With God as creator, family all are we.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.

**With ev’ry step I take, let this be my solemn vow;
To take each moment, and live each moment in peace eternally!**

Let there be peace on Earth, and let it begin with me.

We carry the light of Christ with us in all times and spaces

***Postlude**

“Send Us Out”

Parks

After-Worship Fellowship

All are welcome to linger on the lawn for refreshments & good company!

PRAYER CORNER

We hold these joys and concerns in our prayers:

- *With Jennifer Halvorson-Albright and Dennis, we pray for son **Christian** who has a new Hodgkin's Lymphoma diagnosis.
- *We rejoice with **Mary Ann Litfin** in her wedding ceremony with John on June 15th, grateful for the intimate celebration and that John's daughter, Claire, was able to join them amidst her own struggles. Prayers of goodness for all!
- *With Jane Hanson, we give thanks for good friend **Carl**, who is doing well after open-heart surgery one year ago and joined us here last Sunday.
- *With **Walter Vandre**, we pray that the sore on his ankle heals swiftly!
- *With Bob Dickie, we pray for friend **Robert**, who is nearing the end of his life while in hospice care. May he have comfort and know that he is not alone.
- *With Cindy Baker, continued healing for cousin **Linette** (recuperating after a hospital stay) and cousin **Julie** (needing weekly infusions).
- *For Jackie Savage's sister **Debbie**, who has developed congestive heart failure. We pray for excellent ongoing care.
- *For Rebecca Dennis' neighbor, **Kelly**, as he and family grieve the loss of his son, John. May they be surrounded by love in this difficult time.
- *For **Tony Graf**, healing and recovery after heart attacks and open-heart surgery.
- *For the love we share in this community, we give thanks.
- *Celebrating anniversaries: **BJ and Claire** Stokes (20th), **Bill and Betsy** Stokes (29th), **Naomi and David** Kirstein (29th)



Let's keep supporting our food insecure neighbors,
especially with the kids being out of school for the summer.

Look for this table each Sunday at worship.
We welcome non-perishable food and/or cash donations.

Graduates

We've learned of 3 recent graduates (1 member and 2 grandchildren). We will lift them up in the coming week. Please let us Megan know by Tuesday if you've had a recent graduate in your family whom you'd like us to lift up as well.

Welcome Guest Preacher, Dan Warnes



Dan studied history in college, attended seminary, is ordained by the ELCA, served as a Lutheran pastor for many years, and found his way to hospice chaplaincy. He and Marianne recently relocated from Lincoln, Nebraska to be nearer to family. A new member of St. Croix United Church, Dan finds that our congregation aligns with his concept of church.

A Little Help for Our Friends...

Tony Graf (son to Nat Graf and father to Zoey, Eddy, and Finley) recently suffered multiple heart attacks and had triple bypass open-heart surgery. Due to having no insurance, running out of PTO, and being off work for an extended period of time—Tony and his family could use our help!

All cash donations will go towards Tony's doctor visits, copays, and medications.

You may make donations through Venmo (<https://venmo.com/u/Jessica-Hintze-1>) or by designating a check/cash for Tony Graf.

Gift cards are welcome to offset household expenses (Cub, Walmart, and Target) - sent to Tony or dropped at church.

Community Worship at Lakeside Park | **July 7, 9 am**



Together in Christ, the service will be led by St. Croix United Church and Bethlehem Lutheran.

*Bring a lawn chair and non-perishable food item for the food shelf.
Loose offerings will also go to Valley Outreach.*

GENTLE TAI CHI



Connection... Balance... Renewal

Gentle Tai Chi with Mary Ann Litfin

Sundays at 8:30 am @ People's Park

All are welcome for a gentle, easy-to-learn moving meditation. *Casual dress welcome in worship.*

2nd and 4th Mondays at 7pm @ Lakeside Park

Pastor Clare away to NACCC Annual Meeting in Spokane, WA | June 21-25



**There
is a
Time...**
NACCC
2024
Spokane, WA

In the event of a question or need,
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All-Church Potlucks are Back!

Wed. June 26, 5:30-7pm

@ People's Park

Tue. July 16, 5:30-7pm

@ Sharri Kinkead's home (Hudson)

Next Women's Gathering: Thurs. July 11, 6 pm

A garden tea at Cindy Parsons' home in Afton.

Thank you to today's partners: Rev. Dan Warnes (preacher), Sharon Neuenfeldt (Worship Accompanist), Rolf Dittmann & Heather Kennedy-Bordeaux (cantors), Carol Dusbabek (greeter), Kathleen Dennison & Mary Binger (liturgists), Jill Greenhalgh & Rolf Dittmann (fellowship), Paul Spilseth, Bob Dickie & Mark Stephan (tech team)




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RESPOND

123

Draw the Circle Wide

$\text{♩} = 132$

Draw the cir-cle_ wide. Draw it wid-er still. Let this be our_

song, no one stands a - lone, stand-ing side by side, draw the cir-cle_

To verses

Last time, Fine

wide. _____

wide. _____

1. God the still - point of the cir - cle, 'round whom all cre -
2. Let our hearts touch far hor - i - zons, so en - com - pass
3. Let the dreams we_ dream be larg - er, than we've ev - er

- a - tion turns; noth - ing lost, but
great and small; let our lov - ing
dreamed be - fore; let the dream of

held for - ev - er in God's gra - cious arms. _____
know no bor - ders, faith - ful to God's call. _____
Christ be in us, o - pen ev - 'ry door. _____

Call to Prayer

$\text{♩} = 100$

D G/D A/D G/D



D D/F# G D



1. Float - ing and flam - ing and fill - ing new life.
2. Search - ing and sav - ing and sooth - ing in - deed.
3. Call - ing and car - ing and chang - ing each heart.

F#m Bm E A



Hov - 'ring and heal - ing and help - ing with sighs.
Teach - ing and turn - ing and tak - ing the lead;
Lov - ing and lift - ing us to a new start;

Em A Bm/A A7 D/F# Em



Spir - it at work since the dawn - ing of time;
Fa - ther - ing, Moth - er - ing, birth - ing new ways;
Je - sus our Sav - ior, our teach - er, our Lord;

A Bm C#dim Bm G Em/G A D



meet us right here, touch us right now.
meet us right here, touch us right now.
meet us right here, touch us right now.

A Bm C#dim Bm G Em A D



Meet us right here, touch us right now.
Meet us right here, touch us right now.
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Called as Partners in Christ's Service

John 15:12-17; Gal. 6:2; Eph. 2:14-22

Jane Parker Huber, 1981

1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,
 2 Christ's ex - am - ple, Christ's in - spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
 3 Thus new pat-t-erns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,
 4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or - der hu - man life

We re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
 Let us fol - low, nev - er fal-tering, re - con - cil - ing folk on earth.
 Help us bear each oth - er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.
 That sur-round each per - son's sor-row with a calm that con - quers strife.

May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,
 Men and wom-en, rich - er, poor-er, all God's peo - ple, young and old,
 Words of com-fort, words of vi - sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,
 Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, our com - pas - sion to in - crease,

E - qual part - ners in our car-ing to ful - fill God's cho - sen end.
 Blend-ing hu - man skills to - geth-er gra-cious gifts from God un - fold.
 Bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.
 Mes - sen - gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.

Editor note: Some historical notes are shown in this *Sampler*.
 When complete, *The New Century Hymnal* will have a note for
 almost all hymns.

Tune: BEECHER 8.7.8.7.D.
 John Zundel, 1855