



Nokomis Heights Lutheran Church Sunday, October 24, 2021

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastors	Kristen Capel, Steven Delzer
Organist	Julie Urban
Instrumentalists	Marit Aaseng, viola; Laura Bretheim, violin; Jason Hansen, piano, Mark Lofthus, guitar; Daniel Magnuson, guitar
Vocalists	Kim Bretheim, Sue Danielson Bretheim, Johan Christopherson, Annika Coyle, Carolyn Deters, Tim Wicker, Sarah Winter, Kristin Denison Young
Lector	Marian Blattner
Recording/Editing	Dana Lonn

In our prayers this week: Casey Austad, Linda Austad, Jerry Casterton, Jennifer Harris, Rich Gronner, Dee Levine, Charlie Olson, Blanca Raniolo's sister Nelly, and Eric and Piper Roome; Mission Partners: Trinity and St. Peder's Lutheran churches, Community Emergency Service (CES), and Wapo Bible Camp

Join us each Sunday for worship (online and in person)!

**Outdoor, in-person worship on the church lawn
every Sunday, at 10:00 am, weather permitting.**

**Adult Forum and Sidewalk Sunday School
at 9:00 am, on the church lawn.**

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Place of Worship. Space for Questions.

NOKOMIS HEIGHTS LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

TIME AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 24, 2021

10:00 A.M.

GATHERING

PRELUDE “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Carter

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

L: Blessed be the Holy Trinity,
one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

C: Amen

L: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God’s mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**C: We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning you created us in your image
and placed us in a well-watered garden.
In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched,
and you gave us water from the rock.
When we did not know the way,
you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.
At the cross, you washed us from Jesus’ wounded side,
and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.**

L: We praise you for your salvation through water,
for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere,
including Diamond Lake, Lake Nokomis, Minnehaha Creek,
and the Mississippi River.
Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love.
Satisfy all who thirst, and give us the life only you can give.
To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen

OPENING HYMN 807 (st. 1, 3)

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb-en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt-or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas-ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
 let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
 Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.
 he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter - posed his pre-cious blood.
 Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.



GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

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Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .



so - tros. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie -
mer - cy. Lord, . . have mer - cy on



dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
us; O . . . Lord, have . . mer - cy.



Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
Christ, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Christ, have . .



so - tros. Cris - to, Cris - to, ten pie -
mer - cy. Christ, . . have mer - cy on



dad; ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
us; O . . . Christ, have . . mer - cy.



Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - dad; ten pie - dad de no -
Lord, . . have mer - cy on us; O . . . Lord, have . . .

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so - tros. mer - cy. Se - ñor, Se - ñor, ten pie - Lord, . . have mer - cy on

dad; us; ten pie - dad O . . . Lord, de no - so - tros. have . . mer - cy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Generous God,

C: There is no end to the gifts you shower on us.

**From the extravagant gift of autumn colors
to the essential gifts of life and breath,
your generosity surrounds every moment
and every breath.**

We are grateful,

and we long to be imitators of your generosity,

that all people might experience blessings never-ending.

Amen

WORD

FIRST READING

Exodus 35:1-29

L: Moses assembled all the congregation of the Israelites and said to them: These are the things that the LORD has commanded you to do: Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day you shall have a holy sabbath of solemn rest to the LORD; whoever does any work on it shall be put to death. You shall kindle no fire in all your dwellings on the sabbath day.

Moses said to all the congregation of the Israelites: This is the thing that the LORD has commanded: Take from among you an offering to the LORD; let whoever is of a generous heart bring the LORD's offering: gold, silver, and bronze; blue, purple, and crimson yarns, and fine linen; goats' hair, tanned rams' skins, and fine leather; acacia wood, oil for the light, spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense, and onyx stones and gems to be set in the ephod and the breastpiece.

All who are skillful among you shall come and make all that the LORD has commanded: the tabernacle, its tent and its covering, its clasps and its frames,

its bars, its pillars, and its bases; the ark with its poles, the mercy seat, and the curtain for the screen; the table with its poles and all its utensils, and the bread of the Presence; the lampstand also for the light, with its utensils and its lamps, and the oil for the light; and the altar of incense, with its poles, and the anointing oil and the fragrant incense, and the screen for the entrance, the entrance of the tabernacle; the altar of burnt offering, with its grating of bronze, its poles, and all its utensils, the basin with its stand; the hangings of the court, its pillars and its bases, and the screen for the gate of the court; the pegs of the tabernacle and the pegs of the court, and their cords; the finely worked vestments for ministering in the holy place, the holy vestments for the priest Aaron, and the vestments of his sons, for their service as priests.

Then all the congregation of the Israelites withdrew from the presence of Moses. And they came, everyone whose heart was stirred, and everyone whose spirit was willing, and brought the LORD's offering to be used for the tent of meeting, and for all its service, and for the sacred vestments. So they came, both men and women; all who were of a willing heart brought brooches and earrings and signet rings and pendants, all sorts of gold objects, everyone bringing an offering of gold to the LORD. And everyone who possessed blue or purple or crimson yarn or fine linen or goats' hair or tanned rams' skins or fine leather, brought them. Everyone who could make an offering of silver or bronze brought it as the LORD's offering; and everyone who possessed acacia wood of any use in the work, brought it. All the skillful women spun with their hands, and brought what they had spun in blue and purple and crimson yarns and fine linen; all the women whose hearts moved them to use their skill spun the goats' hair. And the leaders brought onyx stones and gems to be set in the ephod and the breastpiece, and spices and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the fragrant incense. All the Israelite men and women whose hearts made them willing to bring anything for the work that the LORD had commanded by Moses to be done, brought it as a freewill offering to the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Acts 4:32-37

L: Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. There was a Levite, a

native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means “son of encouragement”). He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles’ feet.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya,
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

a - le - lu - ya! A - le - lu - ya!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 10:8

L: Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

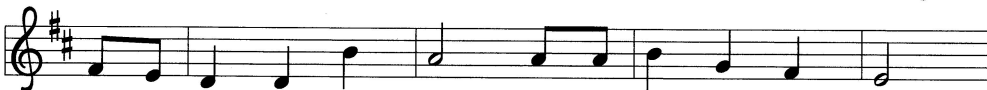
SERMON



1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.
 2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.
 3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,
 4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.
 Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.
 and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.
 All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door
 For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:
 As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:
 Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.
 end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.
 pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.
 one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Introduction

L: Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

A brief silence, followed by the response (sing twice):



Come un - to me___ all ye who are wea - ry. Come un - to me___ ye who



car - ry heav - y bur - dens. Come un - to me___ Come un - to me___ and I will give you rest.

L: Risen One, we give you thanks for congregations and ministries throughout the world that serve as centers of prayer and action. Empower missionaries, teachers, healers, evangelists, and all who are sent to share your song of joy.
Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Holy One, we give you thanks for generous land that produces abundant harvests. Strengthen and protect all soils, from roof-top gardens to prairie farmlands, to patio planters to fertile valley, and bless all who lovingly tend them.

Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Healing One, we give you thanks for all who labor for the health of others. Comfort and strengthen all who struggle with chronic pain. Send healing and relief to all who are sick, especially... *(members and friends in need of prayer)*.
Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Providing One, we give you thanks for all who provide for others. Inspire generosity in your people, so that we carry out the work of making disciples of all nations.
Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Conclusion

L: Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; though Jesus Christ, our truth and life.

C: Amen

Sing response twice:

Come un - to me ___ all ye who are wea - ry. Come un - to me ___ ye who
car-ry heav-y bur-dens. Come un-to me ___ Come un-to me ___ and I will give you rest. Fine

**C: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

SHARING THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

"Dona Nobis Pacem"

McMichael

OFFERING PRAYER

L: We pray together:

**C: God of abundance,
you cause streams to break forth in the desert
and manna to rain from the heavens.
accept the gifts you have first given us.
Unite them with the offering of our lives
to nourish the world you love so dearly;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen

CLOSING HYMN 583 (st. 1-3)

“Take My Life, That I May Be”

Refrain/Estrillo



To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na - da más;
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;



to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón y tu tro - no en él ten - drás.
take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.



1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té con - sa - gra -
1 Take my hands and let them move at the im -
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on -
4 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be



da a ti, Se - ñor; que a mis ma - nos pue -
pulse of thy love; take my feet and let
would I with - hold; take my in - tel - lect
ly for my King; take my lips and let
no lon - ger mine; take my heart, it is



Refrain/Estrillo

da guiar el im - pul - so de tu a - mor.
them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.
them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
thine own; it shall be thy roy - al throne.

SENDING

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Moment of silence

POSTLUDE

“Take My Life that I May Be”

Raabe

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