

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Fantasia on "Dix"

Lani Smith

* WELCOME AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Rev. McGowan

FAITH IN ACTION

American Red Cross Blood Drive
Stewardship

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come and celebrate! Shout joyfully to the Lord, your God!
Glorify God with your praise!

**All: Everything on earth will worship you; they will sing your praises,
shouting your name in joyful songs.**

One: Come and see what our God has done,
what awesome things God has done for us!

**All: Let the whole world bless our God and sing God's praise.
For our lives are in God's hands, and God keeps our feet from stumbling.**

* HYMN 54

Make a Joyful Noise to God!

DIX

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God beyond borders, we know that on our way to worship, we may not have noticed the exiles in our neighborhoods. We admit how easy it is for us to wander down the streets of temptation, pausing at the corner of easy choices. We fall silent in the presence of those who speak words of anger and hate. We tolerate a culture that suspects all who are different from us. Have mercy on us, O God, for surely you take the side of justice. Open our hearts to all the wonders you are performing in our lives. You gift us with those of other cultures, that our lives might be blessed. You send us friends out of places we least expect, that our community might be enriched. You call us to be generous with our blessings, so others might be graced with the gift of Jesus Christ. Hear us now as we bring our personal confessions before you . . .

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

*You are invited to share signs with one another of the peace we experience as God's people.
Greet one another saying, "The peace of Christ be with you," and respond, "And also with you."*

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Please sing two times.

Amen, we praise your name, O God!

Amen, we praise your name, O God!

Amen, amen. Amen, amen.

Amen, we praise your name, O God!

This is Hymn 598, Amen, We Praise Your Name (AMEN SIAKUDUMISA).

PROCLAIMING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Sharon Sheldon

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Luke 17:11–19

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 29:1, 4–7

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Cultivating Community in a Strange Land

Rev. Ruhf

RESPONDING

* HYMN 432

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

REPTON

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Andrew Frazier

Offertory

Hymn-Prelude on “Dix”

Flor Peeters

* Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

See Communion Card

SENDING

* HYMN 538

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

HALELUYA! PELO TSA RONA

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hallelujah! We sing your praises; all our hearts are filled with gladness.

Hallelujah! We sing your praises; all our hearts are filled with gladness.

**Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joyful gospel. (Repeat refrain)**

* POSTLUDE

Postlude in A Major

Horatio Parker

* Please rise in body or spirit.

Those parts of the service of worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in **bold type**. Large-print bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers.