

PRELUDE

◇ A time of quiet preparation

Faith of our Fathers (Hymn 570)
Faith Burchfield and Judy Noack, vocals

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 9: 1-2, 10-11 (NIV)

Leader: I will praise you, O LORD, with all my heart;
I will tell of all your wonders.

People: **I will be glad and rejoice in you;
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

Leader: Those who know your name will trust in you, for you, LORD,
have never forsaken those who seek you.

People: **Sing praises to the LORD, enthroned in Zion;
proclaim among the nations what he has done.**

IN PRAYER

*WE PRAISE OUR GOD

HYMN OF PRAISE 338

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

WE CONFESS OUR SIN

from Reformation Theology

Unison: **Merciful Lord, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin, but in you there is the fullness of righteousness and abundance of mercy. We are spiritually poor, but you are rich and in Jesus Christ came to be merciful to the poor. Strengthen our faith and trust in you. We are empty vessels that need to be filled; fill us. We are weak in faith; strengthen us. We are cold in love; warm us, and make our hearts fervent for you that our love may go out to one another and to our neighbors. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*WE EXALT OUR LORD

WORSHIP SONGS

Leader: For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, ""Abba, "Father. "The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

Romans 8:15-16 (NIV)

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

WELCOME TO VISITORS

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE

Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/ OFFERTORY

How Can It Be/ L. Daigle
Faith Burchfield, vocals

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

John 14:16-18, 25-27; 16:7-15

¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever-- ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

²⁵ "All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

John 15:26 & 27

²⁶ "When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, he will testify

about me. ²⁷ And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

John 16:7-15

⁷ But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ in regard to sin, because men do not believe in me; ¹⁰ in regard to righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; ¹¹ and in regard to judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned. ¹² "I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. ¹³ But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. ¹⁴ He will bring glory to me by taking from what is mine and making it known to you. ¹⁵ All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will take from what is mine and make it known to you.

SERMON

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***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **529**

WORDS OF PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Grant, Holy Spirit, That We Behold/ G. Krapf