



Come, let us worship the God of our Salvation.

***Call to Confession**

Great indeed is the faithfulness of God, and yet our hearts are not so reliable. We wander. We argue. We forget. We divide ourselves with anger and bitterness and falsehood. Let's try to come back together again, and let's start with the truth. Let us confess our sins individually in silence and then together as one family in Christ. Let us pray.

***Silence**

***Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, mother of mercy, father of grace: You have called us to one table, but we have pursued our own course. You have promised us the abundance of all creation, but in our greed, and in our envy, the world goes without. You have promised us the bread of life itself, but in our pride, and in our arrogance, the world goes hungry. You have promised us the waters of peace and justice, but in our violence, and in our discord, the world goes thirsty. And now we are famished, too, Lord. Have mercy on us. Forgive us, again. Transform us, at this table, and for this table, and send us from this table as servants of your righteousness, by the power of your Son, our Lord. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Even when our cups run dry, God's grace overflows. Even when our plates are empty, God's generosity overflows. And

Prelude

Let Us Build a House
Joyce Brown, Organ

Prayer

Quote of the day

*To be one, to be united is a great thing.
But to respect the right to be different is
maybe even greater.* — Bono

Announcements

***Call To Worship**

Today we gather around God's table from
near and far

We are the People of God!

Though we differ in language, custom,
and tradition

We are brothers and sisters in Christ!

For there is one Lord, one faith, and one
baptism

We are One in God's Spirit!

We are one and together we remember
our Lord Jesus

For we are the people of Redemption!

He gave himself up for us, so we could be
reconciled to God.

even when our hearts feel barren, God's love overflows.

Friends believe in the promise of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, thanks be to God.

***Sharing the Peace of Christ Jesus**

Peace be with you

And also with you.

***Hymn**

*Let Us Build a House
No. 301*

v.1

Let us build a house
Where love can dwell
And all can safely live
A place where saints
And children tell
How hearts learn to forgive
Built of hopes and dreams and visions
Rock of faith and vault of grace
Here the love of Christ
Shall end divisions

Chorus

All are welcome
All are welcome
All are welcome in this place

v.2

Let us build a house
Where prophets speak
And words are strong and true
Where all God's children dare to seek
To dream God's reign anew
Here the cross shall stand as witness
And as symbol of God's grace
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus

v.3

Let us build a house where love is found
In water wine and wheat
A banquet hall of holy ground
Where peace and justice meet
Here the love of God through Jesus
Is revealed in time and space
As we share in Christ
the feast that frees us

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Affirmation of Faith

(adapted from the Belhar Confession)

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family. And we believe that this unity of the people of God must be manifest and active, in that we love one another; that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another, that we share one baptism together, that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together, that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope, which is the height and the breadth and the depth and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.

Scripture

Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the

exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.

It is not to angels that he has subjected the world to come, about which we are speaking. But there is a place where someone has testified:

“What is mankind that you are mindful of them,
a son of man that you care for him?
You made them a little lower than the angels;
you crowned them with glory and honor
and put everything under their feet.”

In putting everything under them, God left nothing that is not subject to them. Yet at present we do not see everything subject to them. But we do see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters. He says,
“I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters;

in the assembly I will sing your praises.”

Mark 10:2-16

A crowd of people, as was so often the case, went along, and he, as he so often did, taught them. Pharisees came up, intending to give him a hard time. They asked, “Is it legal for a man to divorce his wife?”

Jesus said, “What did Moses command?”

They answered, “Moses gave permission to fill out a certificate of dismissal and divorce her.”

Jesus said, “Moses wrote this command only as a concession to your hardhearted ways. In the original creation, God made male and female to be together. Because of this, a man leaves father and mother, and in marriage he becomes one flesh with a woman—no longer two individuals, but forming a new unity. Because God created this organic union of the two sexes, no one should desecrate his art by cutting them apart.”

When they were back home, the disciples brought it up again. Jesus gave it to them straight: “A man who divorces his wife so he can marry someone else commits adultery against her. And a woman who divorces her husband so she can marry someone else commits adultery.” The people brought children to Jesus, hoping he might touch them. The disciples shooed them off. But Jesus was irate and let them know it: “Don’t push these children away. Don’t ever get between them and me. These children are at the very center of life in the kingdom. Mark

this: Unless you accept God's kingdom in the simplicity of a child, you'll never get in." Then, gathering the children up in his arms, he laid his hands of blessing on them.

Sermon

United in Faith

Pastor Riz

Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: Drink deep of God's love.

People: God's love endures forever.

Leader: Drink deep of God's Spirit.

People: God's Spirit endures forever.

Leader: Let us give our thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Tithes & Offerings

Music at the Offering

Folksong
Edvard Grieg
Joyce Brown, Organ

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts
Praise God Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, you create more than we could ever hope to return. You share more than we could ever hope to deserve. And yet, we pray, accept these humble gifts. May they honor and glorify you in all creation, and may they empower us for the work of witness and service, for the sake of justice, and for the sake of peace, now and forever. Amen.

*Hymn

Come, Live in the Light
No. 749

v.1

Come live in the light
Shine with the joy
and the love of the Lord
We are called
to be light for the kingdom
To live in the freedom
Of the city of God

Chorus

We are called to act with justice
We are called to love tenderly
We are called to serve one another
To walk humbly with God

v.3

Sing sing a new song
Sing of that great day
When all will be one
God will reign

And we'll walk with each other
As sisters and brothers
United in love

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Happy Birthday to everyone who is celebrating a birthday in October! Blessings on you on your special day.

***Benediction**

You were called to this table. You were fed at this table. You were united at this table.

Now, we are sent from this table into all the world.

Go therefore into the world, with courage, knowing the needs are many.

We will set a place for all who hunger and fill a cup of all who thirst.

Know that you are connected to all of creation by the Lord of All.

May we consider the unity of our human family before we speak and act.

May the God of power and love attend to you, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ uphold you, and may the fellowship of the Holy Spirit sustain you, now and forever.

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord. Amen.

Church & Society – This very important *MISSION* committee is in need of members who will help guide our mission efforts. Please let Pastor Riz know if you're willing to serve in this way.

Every Meal – (Sheridan Story) Every Meal is asking us to resume our weekly visits to Como Park Elementary to help discreetly place weekend food into the backpacks of food-insecure students. Please let Pastor Riz know if you're interested in doing this or use the QR Code to sign up.



Sign up to serve as a Liturgist - Just point your smart phone camera at this QR code and it will provide the link to our SignUpGenius where you can sign up to serve as a liturgist... in person or by recording the readings virtually.



***Postlude**

*Trumpet Tune
Mark Sedio
Joyce Brown, Organ*

Good News

Thank You for Serving Today!

Liturgist *John Bagaglio*
Organist *Joyce Brown*
Greeters *Ed Galle & Virginia Redman*

Deb's Work Schedule – Deb is "at work" on Tuesdays through Fridays from 9:00a until 2:00p. Her scheduled time to be *in the office* is on Friday; however, she answers the phone during all her business hours. If

you have a special need for Deb to plan to be in the office on Tuesday through Thursday, please let her know. Also, **Deb is taking vacation October 5th thru 15th.**

Favorite Songs / Favorite Scriptures – Our next Fifth Sunday is on October 31st, and we wanted to do something that is as much fun as the Hymn Sing we recently had. We decided that this time, we are asking for you to submit your favorite hymns and/or your favorite scripture verses | passages. These will be presented in creative ways and blended in with the singing of our favorite hymns. Please join us in preparation of this event by submitting your requests/suggestions to Deb in the church office by **October 1st**. We think this will give us enough time to put a very meaningful, joyful service together for you. Thanks for participating! (651-488-5581 extension 210 or deb@newlifechurchroseville.org)

These Days Daily Devotions for Oct | Nov | Dec have arrived and are on the Opportunities Table. If you would like one mailed to you, call Deb in the church office (651.488.5581 extension 210).

Give to New Life! Point the camera on your smart phone at this QR code. It will bring up a link to the Give page on our church website where you can give from wherever you are via PayPal or Vanco. Please designate whether your donation goes to our General Operating Fund, Presbyterian Disaster Relief, or any of the other choices.



Esther Circle Women’s Bible Study group invites you to join us on Zoom on the third Tuesday of each month. The name of this year’s study is “What My Grandmother Taught Me.” Call Carole at h) 651.488.1273 or c) 651.726.4824 (no texting) to order a study book: paper and/or electronic copy for \$10, large print for \$15. Join us for fun, fellowship, and study!

An Electronic Church Directory is now available on the church website. Email Deb at deb@newlifechurchroseville.org or use the QR code to request an invitation to log into the church website. This directory is NOT available to the general public. Individuals MUST be invited by the church administrative assistant in order to have this access.



Membership & Growth is seeking your ideas and your help! We’re searching for a graphic designer, videographer, photographer, and writers to join this team. Elder Tom Carlson is the new Session Liaison for this committee and he is teeming with ideas, but needs some help! We have great hope for ways to grow our faith community. If you’re curious about Tom’s ideas and/or perhaps how you can help this team, contact Tom at tomcarlson@NewLifeChurchRoseville.org or 651.398.8958.

Pumpkin Patch season is HERE! The pumpkins have arrived and we need folks to sell the pumpkins. Use this QR code to sign up on SignUpGenius, or look for the Pumpkin Patch table in the Atrium. Proceeds from this annual event go to a mission trip for our Youth.



Seeds of Hope Community Garden

continues to harvest food and donate it to Every Meal for distribution to the hungry in our community. So far this season, we have donated **over 1,500** pounds!! Thanks to Nancy Marchetto & Bill Pederson (Chairs) and all of our gardeners who have made this happen.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is working diligently with those affected by Hurricane Ida. For more information, see the bulletin insert on the table near the sanctuary doors. Also, if you'd like to give to PDA for the Haiti earthquake victims, the contact info is all the same. It's important to designate "Haiti – earthquake" when making a gift.

Help Create the Light of Peace this Sunday -

This morning our congregation is collecting donations for its special **Peace & Global Witness** offering which will be dedicated during a World Communion Sunday celebration. Although gifts can be made



anytime during the year, this is the day Christians around the world gather to celebrate the forgiveness, love, and peace of Christ.

Envelopes and brochures are on the Atrium table beside the Offering box. Donations may be made via PayPal or Vanco, or checks made out to NLPC with your envelope number and (Peace & Global) written in the memo line.

Why is this so important?

1. 25% of this offering stays with our church to help us support peacemaking & reconciliation actions in our community.
2. 25% of the money raised will go to joining with other congregations in our area to support peacemaking work in our region, and
3. 50% of this offering will support the work for peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians around the world.

Please give as generously as you can, and remember... "If we ALL do a little, it adds up to a lot!"

Blue Barrel Sunday – Celebration & Worship has decided to celebrate our gifts to the Blue Barrel on the **second Sunday of each month**. We ask that beginning Sunday, October 10th, you bring non-perishable foods for the Blue Barrel. They will be dedicated that Sunday for a local food shelf.

We collect Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House! Have you seen the big jar on the Missions Table? Save your pop tabs and add them to that jar whenever you can. We'll take care of donating them to Ronald McDonald House. For more information, see the October newsletter.

Committee Reports to the Annual Report

are due October 15th! We're asking all committee chairs to get their reports to Deb via email or hand-written on her desk or in her cubby in the hallway. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for November 14th.

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The Interfaith Action CROP Walk is

scheduled for October 10th.

Register now to participate in this fund raiser. The walk will begin at 1:15p at Macalester-Plymouth United Church, 1658



Lincoln Ave, St. Paul. Masks will be required during registration and sendoff (outdoors) and when entering any indoor spaces.

Physical distancing is encouraged during the walk. Any walkers or team who wish to walk a different route or at a different time are welcome to register and help in the fundraising effort. The Crop Walk is an annual event to raise funds to fight hunger in St. Paul and around the world. Twenty-five percent of the money raised goes to Interfaith Action's Department of Indian Work food shelf.