



WORSHIP

October 24, 2021

PRELUDE

❖ WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Brian Paulson

The Lord Jesus Christ has risen to reign;
his is the name above all names.
We are witnesses: the Lord is risen!
Christ has ascended to reign on high.

❖ OPENING HYMN #295

Go to the World!

SINE NOMINE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Ryan Wallace

Almighty God,
you have raised Jesus from death to life,
and crowned him Lord of all.
We confess that we have not bowed before him,
or acknowledged his rule in our lives.
We have gone along with the ways of the world,
and failed to give him glory.
Forgive us,
and raise us from sin,
that we may be your faithful people,
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who rules the world
and is head of the church, his body.

(Silence for personal confession.)

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Amen.

❖ ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Ryan Wallace

❖ GLORIA PATRI (*Glory to God*)

Hymnal #581

❖ SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Mae Wallace

Leader: What did Jesus teach as the first commandment?

People: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment.

Leader: What is the second commandment?

People: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

❖ PASSING THE PEACE		Rev. Ryan Wallace
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION		Amelia Smith-Laubenstein
FIRST SCRIPTURE READING	<i>Acts 1:1-11</i>	Amelia Smith-Laubenstein
ANTHEM	<i>Follow Jesus</i> Chancel Choir – soloists: Kitty Snyder, Jodi Craiglow, Kirk Ergang	arr. John Purifoy
SECOND SCRIPTURE READING	<i>Matthew 28:16-20</i>	Rev. Ryan Wallace
SONG OF BLESSING – HYMN #774 v. 4	<i>There is Now a New Creation</i>	STUTTGART
MEDITATION	<i>Commit Yourself</i>	Rev. Brian Paulson
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH -- <i>The Belhar Confession (South Africa)</i>		Sally Kowal

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

We believe that God’s lifegiving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, that God’s lifegiving Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world.

TABLE TALK		Rev. Kara Smith-Laubenstein
THE GIFT OF GIVING		Liz Tanner
INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP		Rev. Kara Smith-Laubenstein
THE OFFERTORY	<i>We Are One in Mission</i> Chapel Music Team	Rusty Edwards
❖ Doxology		(Traditional, Hymnal page 592)
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, DEDICATION & THE LORD’S PRAYER		Rev. Kara Smith-Laubenstein
❖ CLOSING HYMN #298	<i>Lord, You Give the Great Commission</i>	BEECHER
❖ THE CHARGE & BLESSING		Rev. Brian Paulson
POSTLUDE		
❖ <i>Those who are able, please stand</i>		