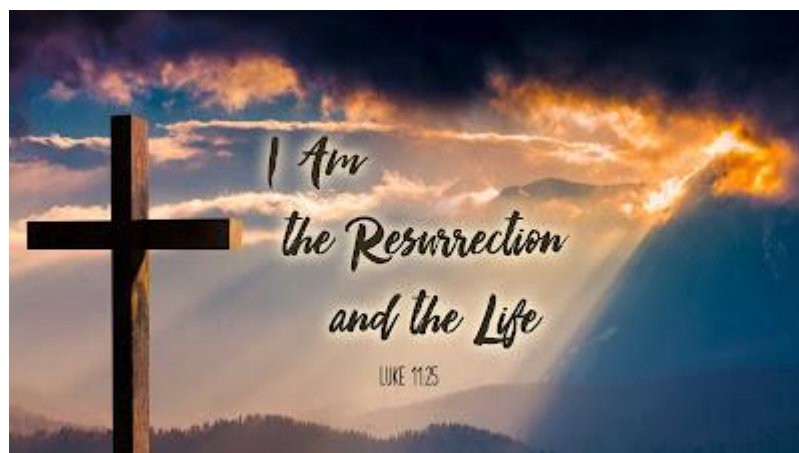


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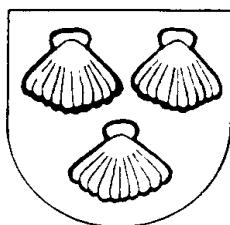
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“I Am the Resurrection and Life”

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Gathering

Prelude "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" J. S. Bach *Offered by Clarice Snyder*

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Welcome *Jan Petrosh*

Lighting the Prayer Candle

One: The light shines in the darkness.

All: We stand in this light, unshaken, knowing that the darkness has never overcome the light.

One: Let us recommit ourselves to walking in Jesus' ways of justice.

All: Empower us, Jesus, to boldly use the freedom and power given to us to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves.

Threshold Song "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" *Handbell Choir*

Carl G. Glaser, arr. by Martha Lynn Thompson
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Call to Worship *Jan Petrosh*

Alleluia! Christ is alive; let all the people praise him.

Let all creation sing with joy. Alleluia!

Opening Prayer

Jan Petrosh

Surprising God, in the resurrection of Jesus Christ you make all things new. Long ago you called your church to a love beyond all social and cultural differences and gave them the gift of your Holy Spirit to open their hearts to enact such love. Give us that same spirit of openness, that we too might discern new directions in our day for your dream to reconcile and heal all creation. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***Opening Hymn** "O for A Thousand Tongues to Sing" *UMH 57*

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

2. My gracious master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of your name.

3. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.

4. He breaks the power of canceled sin,
he sets the prisoner free,
his blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

5. He speaks, and listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.

6. Hear him, ye deaf, his praise, ye dumb,
your loosened tongues employ;
ye blind, behold, your Savior come,
And leap, ye lame, for joy.

7. In Christ, your head, you then shall know,
shall feel your sins forgiven;
anticipate your heaven below,
and own that love is heaven.

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Passing of the Peace

Jan Petrosch

Proclaiming

Children's Moment

Amanda Yoo

Scripture

Psalm 148

Jan Petrosch

Word in Music

"I Sing the Almighty Power of God"

Handbell and Chancel Choir

Ralph Vaughan Williams 1872-1958, arr. by Carol Lynn Mitzell
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Scripture

**John 11: 21-26 (NRSVue)
John 13: 31-35 (NRSVue)**

Word in Music

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

Chancel Choir

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Message

"I Am the Resurrection and Life"

Rev. Patricia Abell

Response

Prayers of Intercession

Jan Petrosch

Response: O God of love, raise us to new life in Christ.

Lord's Prayer

Jan Petrosch

Meditation

"How Great Thou Art"

Handbell Choir

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***Doxology**

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God All creatures here below
Alleluia alleluia
Praise God the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

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*Please stand as able

Offering Prayer

*Closing Hymn

1. We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity
May one day be restored

2. We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
And together we'll spread the news
That God is in our land

Chorus

Going Forth

"They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"

Chorus

And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love
Yes, they'll know we are Christians
by our love

3. We will work with each other
We will work side by side
We will work with each other
We will work side by side
And we'll guard human dignity
And save human pride

Chorus

4. All praise to the Father
From whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus
God's only Son
And all praise to the Spirit
Who makes us one

Chorus

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Benediction

Rev. Patricia Abell

Postlude

"Allegro Moderato" G. F. Handel

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Question for Reflection

In Acts 11:1–18, Peter, led by the Spirit, discloses God's new directions to heal creation, and the church reconfigures its social boundaries. The Gentiles, who were excluded from the church in Jerusalem because their eating habits were judged to be vile and unclean, are now included by the reconciling work of the Spirit. Where is God's Spirit opening us to new directions in mission this day?

Household Prayer: Morning

Delivering God, each day we awaken to your goodness
and our hearts cry out in praise as you set us to tasks for the life of the world.
Do not let us hinder your love, but strengthen our will,
as we offer thanks in every simple gesture of this day. Amen

Household Prayer: Evening

Faithful God, the nightly dance of earth, moon, and stars speaks of your gift:
love given, love received.
We give thanks this night for the love you have shown to us this day.
Let us rest in your peace and awaken in joy. Amen.

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