



Presbyterian Church of
Western Springs

Sunday, September 4, 2022 | 9:30 A.M.

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Worshipping
Together

Gathering Together in God's Name

Prelude

Come, You Thankful People Come
Ann Bourjaily-Maney, piano

by George J. Elvey
arr. by Tony Alonso

Gathering & Greeting

Mindy McMahon

♦ Call to Worship

*Welcome! It's wonderful to greet you in the name of Jesus.
Thank you! We are glad to be here.
Today we will speak of a special trip Jesus took.
We are eager to hear about this.
Today we will hear of a special meal Jesus shared.
Our hearts burn as we wait to hear about this.
Ah, but it isn't only about Jesus, it's also about us!
Lord, make us ready for this meal with Jesus.*

♦ Opening Hymn #69

I, Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM (SCHUTTE)

♦ Call to Confession

O Jesus Christ, sometimes we are so busy talking with each other that we fail to find you beside us. We walk on, so focused on our questions that we do not create the silent spaces which would allow you to speak with us and enlighten our journeying. Invite us now to pause and meet with you...

♦ Prayer of Confession (silent confession followed by responsive prayer)

Sometimes our hearts ache within us, O Lord. Like those travelers on the Emmaus road, we feel the deep sadness about losing Jesus. Our sadness finds its roots in many things and we feel as though we cannot escape it. It becomes part and parcel of our conversations. Deep within, our spirits long for release and we silently cry. Forgive us when we close our eyes to your presence. Heal our brokenness. Bind up our wounds. Place us on the path of healing and help us to be people who recognize you in the stranger beside us.

♦ Indicates congregation standing, if able.

♦ Assurance of Pardon

Dear friends, let your hearts be healed. God is here with you, right now and walks with you into the world. Do not fear! Peace be with you all. Amen.

♦ Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father GLORIA PATRI
Glory be to the Father and to the Son; and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

♦ Passing of the Peace of Christ

Time with Children & The Lord’s Prayer Pastor Lesley

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Song of Preparation #48

Rain Down RAIN DOWN
Rain down; rain down;
rain down your love on your people.
Rain down; rain down;
rain down your love, God of life.

Proclaiming the Word of God

Scripture Lesson	Luke 24:13-35	Pew Bible, New Testament, pages 84-85
Special Music	My Lighthouse Shannon Sullivan & Ben Mertz, duet	by Rend Collective
Sermon	The Road of Broken Dreams	The Rev. Lesley Weir

Responding to God’s Word

♦ Song of Response

Emmaus-Bound on Easter Day* O WALY WALY
Emmaus-bound on Easter Day,
Two travelers walked along the way.
They'd once had hope, but hope had died
When you, O Lord, were crucified.

When you appeared beside the two,
They could not see that it was you;
But as they talked and shared their pain,
You gave them hope and joy again.

For as you spoke to them God's word,
Explaining all they'd seen and heard,
They understood what God had done
And that a new day had begun.

They shared their home; you broke the bread.
They saw you, risen from the dead!
That moment's grace helped them to see
The gift of God's eternity.

Continued...

*In scripture and at table, too,
O Risen Lord, may we know you.
And may your presence give us grace
To share God's love in every place.*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

♦ Invitation

♦ The Great Thanksgiving

May the God of Emmaus roads be with you.

And also with you.

Fellow pilgrims, give your hearts to God.

We offer our hearts to the One who will set them on fire.

Alleluia! Sing songs of glad praise.

Alleluia! We will sing of the risen Lord.

*Before the foundation of creation was poured out of your heart God,
your Word whispered and the world took shape.*

**The Spirit moved upon those shaped in your image,
breathing life into us so we might live within your grace.**

*Prophets came, interpreting your love and hope for us with words and deeds,
but we did not recognize them.*

**So you sent Jesus to us, to astound us with the news that
you would never give up on us.**

*As we gather at this table, we remember the stories that Jesus' friends tell,
stories of bread broken and shared, feeding a multitude,
stories of being gathered together, enemy and friend, around tables,
stories of unlikely guests revealing the face of the sacred.*

**Today you urge us to stay at this Table where your Spirit blesses the bread and the cup,
and all your children gathered together.**

*We take the bread you have blessed and in its breaking,
our eyes are opened to see the hurting of the world.*

**We take the cup you give us,
and as we drink from it,
our hearts burn for the injustices of our world.**

*At that hour when all time ends, we will return to your heart,
finding our sisters and brothers gathered
together around the Table of glory,
and join forever in singing your praises,
God in Community, Holy in One. Amen.*

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread & Cup

All are welcome to this, Christ's table, set for any who are hungry and thirsty. In order to share safely in the Sacrament, we have pre-packaged elements available. The small cups contain grape juice and bread (gluten-free bread is available).

♦ Prayer After Communion

*Holy, gracious, God,
Here at this table your promise of life is made tangible.
We have rested in the depth of your love;
We have tasted your nourishing, nurturing presence;
We accept you into our bodies, into our lives.
Together, at this table, you have offered us life.
Together, by your grace, we accept the life you offer.
And we give you thanks.*

Go in God's Name

♦ Sending Hymn #248

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

HYMN TO JOY

♦ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

I Sing the Might Power of God
Ann Bourjaily-Maney, piano

Wirtemberg
arr. by Tony Alonso

*Chancel flowers are sponsored this week by Laurie Merrifield,
Happy Anniversary Scott and Laurie!*

The nursery is available during worship and fellowship with Ms. Shaquirra!

Please feel free to pick up a worship binder(s) for your children that are located on the table by the elevator.

Today's Stephen Minister, Joyce Smyers, is available for prayer following worship, near the front piano.

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69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Here I Am, Lord

G Am D G C G D
Leader or All

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

G Em C Am7 D G

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est

Am D G C G D

made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

G Em C Am7 C/G D D7

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain

All G C G D G C G D G

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

Am7 G Am7 D G C G C

call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

G C G D G Am7 D7 G Am7 G

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

Glory Be to the Father

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Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

The first system of music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef and the bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the".

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

The second system of music continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are: "Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -".

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

The third system of music continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are: "gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,".

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The fourth system of music concludes the piece. The lyrics are: "world with - out end. A - men, a - men.".

Rain Down

Capo 3: (D) (F#7) (Bm) (D7) (G)

F A7 Dm F7 B \flat

Rain down; rain down; rain down your

(D/F#) (Em7) (A7) (D) (F#7) (Bm)

F/A Gm7 C7 F A7 Dm

love on your peo - ple. Rain down; rain

(D7) (G) (Em) (A7) (G) (D)

F7 B \flat Gm C7 B \flat F

down; rain down your love, God of life.

This refrain comes from a longer song based on Psalm 33, but the striking image of God's love falling like rain is not actually present in that psalm. That image may be based on Ezekiel 34:26, where God promises to send showers of blessing upon the people of the covenant.

510 We Gather Here in Jesus' Name

Come, Share the Lord

Capo 3: (G) (D) (Em7)
B^b F Gm7

1 We gath - er here in Je - sus' name;
2 He joins us here; he breaks the bread;
3 We'll gath - er soon where an - gels sing;

(D) (A sus)
F C sus

his love is burn - ing in our hearts like liv - ing flame;
the Lord who pours the cup is ris - en from the dead;
we'll see the glo - ry of our Lord and com - ing King;

(A7) (D) (A) (D)
C7 F C F

for through the lov - ing Son the Fa - ther makes us one:
the one we love the most is now our gra - cious host:
now we an - tic - i - pate the feast for which we wait:

(G) (D) (Em) (A) (D)
B^b F Gm C F *Fine*

come, take the bread; come, drink the wine; come, share the Lord.

(A7) (D) (G) (A7) (D)
C7 F B^b C7 F

(1) No one is a strang - er here; ev - ery - one be - longs.
(2) We are now a fam - i - ly, of which the Lord is head.

(G) (A7) (D) (Bm) (Em7) (A sus) (A)
B^b C7 F Dm Gm7 C sus C

Find - ing our for - give - ness here, we in turn for - give all wrongs.
Though un - seen, he meets us here in the break - ing of the bread.

The center of this text recalls Christ's post-Resurrection meal at Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35), a reminder that the Risen Christ is in our midst when two or three gather in his name (Matthew 18:20) and share a foretaste of the Heavenly Feast (Matthew 26:29/Luke 22:18/Mark 14:25).

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! 248

1 Christ is ris - en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!
 2 Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its from the cav - erns of de - spair.
 3 Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en nev - er - more shall be the same.

Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der: all cre - a - tion is a - mazed.
 Walk with glad - ness in the morn - ing. See what love can do and dare.
 Break the bread of new cre - a - tion where the world is still in pain.

In the des - ert all - sur - round - ing, see, a spread - ing tree has grown.
 Drink the wine of res - ur - rec - tion, not a ser - vant, but a friend.
 Tell its grim, de - mon - ic cho - rus: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"

Heal - ing leaves of grace a - bound - ing bring a taste of love un - known.
 Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.
 God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na ev - ery - one!

In commenting on this late 20th-century text, the author has stressed his intention to affirm the social implications of an Easter faith: "Christian peace and justice action finds its wellspring, not in moral zeal or guilty conscience, but in the resurrection."