

Traditional Service

11:00 am

Prelude

Let Us Break Bread Together
(Composer: Spiritual/Zabel)

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship

This is the day the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it

Opening Hymn

Here I Am, Lord #869

Responsive Reading

Psalm 25:1-7 (NIV)

In you, Lord my God,
I put my trust.

I trust in you;

**do not let me be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

No one who hopes in you
will ever be put to shame,
but shame will come on those
who are treacherous without cause.

**Show me your ways, Lord,
teach me your paths.**

**Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all day long.**

Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love,
for they are from of old.

**Do not remember the sins of my youth
and my rebellious ways;
according to your love remember me,
for you, Lord, are good.**

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

O Lord our God, You are holy, but like Isaiah we are people of unclean lips. Yet still, you call each of us into Your service. Too often we make excuses; like Moses, we are not eloquent speakers. Like Jeremiah, we are too young. Like Sarah, we are too old. Like the rich young ruler, we do not want to give away our belongings. Like Jonah, we run in the other direction when You call. Like Peter, we think we know best. Forgive us, O Lord, for refusing to see that You are with us and calling us to a greater purpose. We need the fire of Your burning coals to make us clean. We need your Holy Spirit to strengthen us to turn toward You and take up Your cross. We need Your sacrifice to be freed to follow You, to show the world Your love every day. Embolden us to hear and answer your call through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News:
People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Response

Glory be to the Father #961

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 the Peace

Anthem

**And as Moses Lifted up the Serpent,
God So Loved the World**
(Composer: J. Stainer)

Scripture Readings

Exodus 4:1-17

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

Sermon

“Who? Me?”

Set Free: A Study of the Book of Exodus

Musical Reflection

A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester
(Composer: L. J. White)

Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and was born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven and is seated
at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Words of Institution

Communion Music

Now the Silence

(Composer: Schalk/Wyton)

Closing Hymn

**The King of Love, #824
My Shepherd Is**
(verses 1, 2, and 4)

Benediction

Postlude

Praise God!

(Composer: Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.)

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Welcome & Sermon
Announcements & Liturgy
Worship Leader (9:30)
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Director of Music
Scripture Reader

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Contemporary Service

9:30 am

Questions for Discussion

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer

We Praise You

Alive & Breathing

Prayer of Confession

What a Beautiful Name

Passing the Peace

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(Offerings are received weekly via mail and online giving at <https://villagechurchnorthbrook.org/give/> . Those attending live worship can leave their donations in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary.)

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Exodus 4:1-17

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

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Closing Song

This is How I Thank the Lord

Blessing

Read: Exodus 4:1-17

Digging Deeper:

1. Why was Moses concerned that the Israelites believe his message? (See Ex.3:15-22) How well did the Israelites know who Moses was? How many years did he live in Midian?
2. What three signs did God give to Moses so he could convince the Israelites that he spoke with God? (4:2-9)
3. Besides the Israelites not believing him, what other excuse did Moses raise for not going to Egypt? (See 4:10) What was the Lord's answer in verses 11 and 12?
4. What was Moses' third response to God? Why do you think he felt this way? (v.13)
5. What was God's reaction to Moses and what was his response? Why did he compromise? What does this show us about God's character? (v. 14-16)
6. What was God's one condition regarding his compromise with Moses? (v.17)
7. In what way did all of God's answers provide Moses the confidence he needed to go to Egypt and confront Pharaoh?

Application for Life

1. Describe a time in your life when you knew what God wanted you to do, but you made excuses?
2. What things might God be calling to do that cause you fear and anxiety?
3. In what ways does Moses' conversation with God give you comfort and hope?

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