Traditional Service

11:00 am

As With Gladness

(Composer: Conrad Kocher)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Prelude

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

Now Thank We All Our God #543 Opening Hymn

Psalm 116:1-6, 13-14, 17-18 Responsive Reading

I love the LORD, for he heard my voice;

he heard my cry for mercy. Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live.

The cords of death entangled me,

the anguish of the grave came over me:

I was overcome by distress and sorrow.

Then I called on the name of the LORD: "LORD, save me!"

The LORD is gracious and righteous;

our God is full of compassion.

The LORD protects the unwary;

when I was brought low, he saved me.

I will lift up the cup of salvation

and call on the name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD

in the presence of all his people.

I will sacrifice a thank offering to you

and call on the name of the LORD.

I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence

of all his people, in the courts of the house of the LORD.

Praise the LORD!

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit 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.

Ordination and Installation (Reaffirmation)

Passing the Peace

Anthem A New Year Carol

(Composer: Benjamin Britten)

Philippians 1:1-11

Sermon Overflowing with Love

Scripture Readings

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

Musical Reflection Rise, Shine, You People

(Composer: Dale Wood)

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.

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

I Wonder as I Wander **Communion Music**

(Composer: Niles/Lau)

Closing Hymn The King of Love My Shepherd #824

(verses 1-3, 5)

Benediction

Postlude How Brightly Shines the Morning Star

(Composer: Helmut Walocha)

Worship Participants Rev. Greg Buell

Rev. Dr. Spencer Lundgaard

Village Church Worship Band

Luke Stoner

Logan Henke

Sermon Announcements & Liturgy Contemporary Worship Leader

Praise Music

Director of Traditional Music

Choral Music

Village Church Choir Organist Sharon Peterson (11:00)

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Contemporary Service

9:30 am

Questions for Discussion

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer

I Thank God

Cornerstone

Prayer of Confession

Lord, I Need You

Passing the Peace

Announcements

(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.)

Sermon

Overflowing with Love

Scripture Reading

Philippians 1:1-11

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Ordination and Installation

Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table Apostles' Creed Words of Institution

Closing Song

Remembrance

Blessing

Digging Deeper:

- 1. Why did Paul pray for joy for the Philippians? (v.3-5) Are their people in your own life that you give God thanks for regularly?
- 2. What do you think the "good work" was that God began in the Philippians? When will that work be finished? (v.6)
- 3. Why was Paul so grateful for the Philippians? (v.3, 7)
- 4. According to v. 8, How did Paul feel toward the Philippians? Why do you think he felt this way? Do you think this is normative for how Christians should feel toward one another, or unique?
- 5. What is the essence of Paul's prayer and the main reason for it? (v.9-11)
- 6. What are ways in which you can nurture and grow your love for the Lord and for others?

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