

Traditional Service11:00 am

Prelude

Reflections on the Spirit
(Arr. Joel Raney)

Introit

With a Voice of Singing
(Composer: Martin Shaw)

Call to Worship

Come, let us worship the Lord!
We come from every nation, tribe, people, and language.
We gather before the throne of God and before the Lamb.
Salvation belongs to our God, who sits upon the throne, and to the Lamb!
Let every people and every tongue give praise to our God.
Glory to God forever! Amen!
This is the day the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Hymn #492

Come, Thou Almighty King

Responsive Reading

Psalm 67 (NIV)
May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us—
That your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.
May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.
May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth.
May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.
The land yields its harvest; God, our God, blesses us.
May God bless us still
All: So that, all the ends of the earth will fear him.

Prayer of Confession (Unison)
You asked for my hands, that you might use them for your purpose. I gave them for a moment, then withdrew them, for the work was hard. You asked for my mouth to speak out against injustice. I gave you a whisper that I might not be accused. You asked for my eyes to see the pain of poverty. I closed them, for I did not want to see. You asked for my life, that you might work through me. I gave a small part, that I might not get too involved. Lord, forgive my calculated efforts to serve you—only when it is convenient for me to do so, only in those places where it is safe to do so, and only with those who make it easy to do so. Father, forgive me, renew me, send me out as a usable instrument, that I might take seriously the meaning of your cross.
(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

Announcements

Joining God’s Mission
Pilgrimage Testimony

Hymn #749
Spirit of the Living God

Scripture Reading
John 20:21-22; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8

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

Sermon
Sent by the Spirit
United by the Spirit

Musical Reflection
Send Us, Lord, to Every Nation
(Composer: Joseph M. Martin)

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
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name;
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn #264
Lift High the Cross
(verses 1, 3, 5, 7)

Benediction

Postlude
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(Composer: Douglas E. Wagner)

Worship Participants	
Welcome & Sermon	Rev. Greg Buell
Liturgy Prayer	Ed Burton
Contemporary Worship Leader	Dr. Yongmin Kim
Praise Music	Village Church Worship Band
Director of Traditional Music	Dr. Yongmin Kim
Choral Music	Village Church Choir
Song Leader	
Organist	Sharon Peterson
Scripture Reader	Lois Morris (9:30) Elaine Holmquist (11:00)
Prayers of the People	Mary Dukes (9:30)
Testimony	Kaylee Nevil
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Contemporary Service9:30 am

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer

House of the Lord

Great Are You Lord

Prayer of Confession

His Glory and My Good

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.)

Joining God’s Mission

Pilgrimage Testimony

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

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Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Closing Song

Fresh Wind

Blessing

Questions for Discussion

Opening Discussion

- What does it mean to be sent by God? Where are we sent? What are we to do?

Read: John 20:21–22

- What did the Father send Jesus to do?
- What does the Son send his disciples to do?
- Why is it important to receive the Holy Spirit? How does it relate to being sent?

Read: Acts 1:8

- What does the Holy Spirit give to followers of Jesus?
- According to this passage, what are Christ’s followers called to do? Where are they to carry this out?
- Why is the power of the Spirit necessary to carry out our calling as witnesses to the Good News of Jesus Christ?

Read: Matthew 28:18-20

- Who are Jesus disciples called to go to?
- What are his disciples called to do?
- What promise does Jesus make, and why do you think he makes it?
- How does Jesus’ presence both comfort and challenge you?

Application for Life

- Who is God calling you to witness to in your life today?
- What group of people (personally, locally, nationally, and internationally) tugs at your heart? What steps can you take to be a faithful witness to them?

Prayer Concerns & Closing Prayer

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