

(continued from previous page) *toward your goal.*
You have called us *God, Your word*
to be faithful *is still creating,*
In our life and ministry. *Calling us to life made new.*
We respond *Now reveal to us fresh vistas*
in grateful worship *Where there's work*
Joined in one community. *to dare and do.*
When we blur *Keep us clear of all distortion.*
Your gracious image, *Polish us with loving care.*
Focus us and make us whole. *Thus, new creatures*
Healed and strengthened *in Your image,*
as Your people, *We'll proclaim*
We move onward *Christ everywhere.*

GATHERING PRAYER

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION (in unison) **We confess, God of endless patience, that we failed to take into account the weakness we share. We have created an idol out of our own preferences in music, in prayer, in modes of praise, so that in the end we are pleasing ourselves and forgetting about you altogether. God, we know from your word that you are not willing for even one to be lost, but that you will scour the world looking for each wayward sheep. Help us, like the Apostle Paul, to put others first. Help us to present the face of Christ by becoming all things to all people so that their needs might be met. Help us to bring healing, and heal us as well. Humbly, we take upon ourselves your cross. Amen.**

KYRIE 'Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us' No. 300

Unison

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*RECEIVING AND SHARING GOD'S LOVE

(by handshake or embrace or with hands clasped or folded)

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

*GLORIA 'Peruvian'

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est Glo-ry to God,
 6 glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est To God be glo-ry for e - ver
 11 Congregation All
 To God be glo - ry for e - ver Al - le - lu - ia a - men
 14
 Al - le - lu - ia a - men Al - le - lu - ia a - men Al - le - lu - ia a - men.

A READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

Lay Reader, Doug Anderson Isaiah 40:21-31

God, does not faint or grow weary. Those who wait on God will renew their strength and mount up with wings like eagles.

*HYMN 'Because He Lives' No. 562

PSALM 147: 1-11, 20c Lay reader, Cheryl Ruby

A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO CORINTH

Lay Reader: Heather Stanley 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Paul tells the Corinthians that he has voluntarily become "all things to all people" in order to proclaim the gospel to them in a way that enables them to hear and to respond.

ANTHEM 'Jesus, Lover of My Soul'

Welsh tune 'Aberystwyth' arranged by Terre Johnson
 The words (by Charles Wesley) can be found at No.542 in the *Chalice Hymnal*

THE GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

Preacher:

The Holy Gospel is read from the first chapter of Mark

De - clare God's works to the na - tions, God's glo - ry a - mong all the peo - ple.

THE GOSPEL READING Mark 1:29-39

Jesus heals Simon's mother-in-law and then heals many others who are in great need.

THE GOSPEL RESPONSE

Write these words in our hearts, we be - seech you, O God.

SERMON Rev. Patricia Hayes

HYMN (seated) 'Because He Lives'

(refrain only, twice through)

No 562

*Because he lives, I can face tomorrow;
Because he lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know he holds the future,
And life is worth the living just because he lives.*

MORNING PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER **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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

OFFERTORY 'How Great Is Our God'

arranged by Mark Hayes

*DOXOLOGY

'Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow' No.50

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 'Come, Share the Lord' No. 408

(during this hymn the children will be rejoining us from their classes)

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

THE COMMUNION PRAYER

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise,
O God...

Therefore, with all who love and serve you in heaven and on earth, we raise our voices

San - to, san - to, san - to. ¡Mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra! Mi
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly. My heart, my heart a - dores you! My

co - ra - zón te sa - be de - cir: ¡San - to e - res Señ - or!
 heart knows how to say to you: Ho - ly are you, Lord!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

(Our communion table is open to all who seek a closer relationship with Jesus. Today we will receive by coming forward. Please extend your hands to receive the bread, eat it, then take a cup of juice and drink it, returning the empty cup to the tray.)

COMMUNION MUSIC 'I Come With Joy'
 American folk tune arranged by Karen Marroli
 The words (by Brian Wren) can be found at No. 420 in the *Chalice Hymnal*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (in unison) **We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen**

*CLOSING HYMN 'Lead On, O Cloud of Presence' No. 633

*COMMISSIONING AND BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL AMEN No. 317

A - men. A - men. A - men. A - men. A - men.

MUSIC: African-American

