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- Exodus 16:15



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### Service for the Lord's Day

*Words of Welcome & Announcements*

*Call to Worship*

One: In sacred times of word, wonder, and awe,  
in ordinary days of work and play:

Many: in every moment, God is with us.

One: Whether we are stuck in doubt's mud,

or standing on faith's shoreline:

**Many:** in every place, God is with us.

**One:** In those who teach us

and those who trouble us;

in those who surprise us,

and those who forgive us:

**Many:** in every person, God is with us.

*Hymn*

*"Open My Eyes That I May See"*

1 Open my eyes, that I may see  
glimpses of truth thou hast for me.

Place in my hands the wonderful key  
that shall unclasp and set me free.

Refrain: Silently now I wait for thee,  
ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

2 Open my ears, that I may hear  
voices of truth thou sendest clear.

And while the wave notes fall on my ear,  
everything false will disappear.

Refrain: Silently now I wait for thee,  
ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

3 Open my mouth, and let me bear  
gladly the warm truth everywhere.

Open my heart, and let me prepare  
love with thy children thus to share.

Refrain: Silently now I wait for thee,  
ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

***Unison Prayer for Forgiveness:*** It is never easy for us to confess but deep down inside, we know that graced, we have trouble being grace-full to others; forgiven, we are eager to judge and punish all who hurt us; freed, we find ways to put restrictions on people we fear.

*Let us confess our individual sins in silence. Amen.*

***Assurance of Pardon***

**Response**

*"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 the Peace***

One: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

**Many: and also with you.**

One: Let us share a sign of Christ's peace.

***Scripture***

*Exodus 16:2-15:* 2The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. 3The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." 4Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. 5On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." 6So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, 7and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" 8And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but" against the Lord. 9Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" 10And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. 11The Lord spoke to Moses and said, 12"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

13In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. 14When the layer of dew lifted,

there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. 15When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

*Psalms 105:1-6, 34-45:* 1O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples. 2Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works. 3Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. 4Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually. 5Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered, 6O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones. 34He spoke, and the locusts came, and young locusts without number; 35they devoured all the vegetation in their land, and ate up the fruit of their ground. 36He struck down all the firstborn in their land, the first issue of all their strength. 37Then he brought Israel out with silver and gold, and there was no one among their tribes who stumbled. 38Egypt was glad when they departed, for dread of them had fallen upon it. 39He spread a cloud for a covering, and fire to give light by night. 40They asked, and he brought quails, and gave them food from heaven in abundance. 41He opened the rock, and water gushed out; it flowed through the desert like a river. 42For he remembered his holy promise, and Abraham, his servant. 43So he brought his people out with joy, his chosen ones with singing. 44He gave them the lands of the nations, and they took possession of the wealth of the peoples, 45that they might keep his statutes and observe his laws. Praise the Lord!

## **Prayer of Illumination**

*Sermon*

Rev. Kathleen Henrion

*Hymn*

*"He Leadeth Me"*

1 He leadeth me, O blessed thought  
O words with heavenly comfort fraught  
Whate'er I do, where'er I be  
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me  
Chorus: He leadeth me, He leadeth me  
By His own hand He leadeth me  
His faithful follower I would be  
For by His hand He leadeth me

2 Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom  
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom  
By waters still, over troubled sea  
Still 'tis His hand that leadeth me (Chorus)

3And when my task on earth is done  
When by thy grace the victory's won  
Even death's cold wave I will not flee  
Since God through Jordan leadeth me (Chorus)

*Affirmation of Faith    The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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*Response of Praise*

*“Doxology”*

Praise God,  
from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*Prayer of Dedication*

We have a variety of intentions for offering these gifts to you, Loving God, but whatever the reason, whatever might be our purpose, we trust you will use them to bring healing to brokenness, hope to despair, and welcome to the forgotten. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

*Prayers of the People and 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 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.

*Hymn*      *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"*

1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God Creator;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee.  
Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not.  
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

2 Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.  
[Refrain]

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

*Charge and Benediction*

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