

Faith and Rock Creek Lutheran Churches
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Call to Worship

Sanctuary

Confession and Forgiveness Based on Hebrews 12 and Psalm 51

In this season of rest and renewal let us come before God to name
the sin that clings so closely, laying it all down at Jesus' feet

Silence is kept for reflection.

Standing in the Sonlight, we confess that we sometimes forget the
great cloud of witnesses that surround us, whose faith teaches us
about your grace and mercy. In this race of life set before us we trip
over our pride, our selfishness and our discontent. We carry the
weight of shame and strive for things that do not last. Forgive us O
God. Create in us clean hearts and renew a right spirit within us,
illuminated by Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

Do not grow weary in your souls or lose heart. For God has heard
your confession and your sins are forgiven in the name of the
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. God's steadfast love and abundant
mercy are yours this day. Amen.

**Opening Hymn : God's Work Our Hands (Earth and All Stars
LBW 558**

God's work, our hands: working together, building a future,
repairing the world,
raising up homes, planting new gardens, feeding the hungry and
shelt'ring the cold. Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
sharing the good news of your Gospel.

God's work, our feet: trav'ling together, following Jesus to places
unknown,
walking as friends, marching for freedom, running the race with
God's future the goal. Bless, God, our feet as we follow your way,
sharing the good news of your Gospel.

God's work, our voice: singing together, praising, proclaiming to all
who will hear,
praying for peace, shouting for justice, claiming God's love for the
lost and the least. Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
sharing the good news of your Gospel.

God is at work in and around us: seedlings are sprouting and
bread's on the rise! Washed and set free, humbled and honored,
gifted by grace, we respond in God's love. Bless, God, our lives as we
answer your call, sharing the good news of your Gospel.

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

God of New Life, in this season of summer, in this time of sabbath,
renew in us a spirit of discipleship and teach us to rest in your love
for us and all creation. Open our hearts once again to your Word
and your world. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Children's Message

Centering Song [WAY MAKER Lyrics \(Leeland / Sinach\)](#) [✚](#) [Worship Songs with Lyrics](#)

Welcome the Word

Christ is able to make us one, at the table he sets the tone, teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express. Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Scripture Reading

Colossians 3:9-17

Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

Stories from Indy

Hymn of the Day

We Are An Offering ELW 692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you; we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives they are yours; we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be we give to you, we give to you. We lift

our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you we are an offering, we are an offering.

Prayers of Intercession

Merciful God, receive our prayer

Peace

Offering

Offertory Response

Let us talents and tongues employ reaching out with a shout of joy,
Break is broken the wine is poured Christ is spoken and seen and
heard, Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word
around, loaves abound!

Offering Prayer

**God our Provider, we find comfort in the ways you sustain us with
the daily bread we need. Trusting in your continual provision we
return a portion of what you have entrusted to our care. Use it as
you will to renew others as we prepare now to be renewed through
this holy meal in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Words of Consecration

Jesus and his first followers often gathered around meals in order
to be renewed by the food they ate and the conversation they
shared. One particular meal became a lasting invitation for us to
share in the renewal that comes from receiving Christ in the bread
and the cup. On the night Jesus was handed over he joined his
friends at a table, around a meal, he took bread...do this in
remembrance of me. Pour out on your Holy Spirit on this sacred
meal O Lord, where Jesus is present and all are welcome. Christ
invites you to open your hands and receive God's grace. Come to the
table where Christ is the host who taught us to pray...

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Distribution

Post Communion Blessing

Post Communion Response

Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share; God, Immanuel, everywhere. Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Post Communion Prayer

Sustaining God, in this meal we have been renewed in body, mind and spirit. Let this new-found renewal strengthen us to be your people in the places and lives that are most in need of knowing a full measure of your love and grace. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

Made for This

Sending Hymn

We All Are One In Mission ELW 576

We all are one in mission; we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ the Lord of all.

A single great commission compels us from above to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love. We all are called for service, to witness in God's name. Our ministries are different, our purpose is the same, to touch the lives of others with God's surprising grace, so every folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace. Now let us be united and let our song be heard. Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word. We all are one in mission, we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

Dismissal

Go in peace renewed in your call to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!