

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
Progressive in Approach and Christlike in Action!

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Welcome

Prelude: What GOD Hath Done Is Rightly Done by J.S. Bach;
arr. H. Murrill

Greeting

May the Mystery in Whom we live and move and have our being -
be with you...

C And with you also

Prayer

Infinite One, bless us with spirit and imagination that is beyond
the beyond, and beyond that also. May the limitlessness of Love

move us to release our longing for power and prestige, replacing it with humility and humbleness of heart treasuring there is room enough for all at the table of Love.

Reading: Luke 14: 1-14

One Sabbath, when Jesus came to eat a meal in the house of one of the leading Pharisees, the guests watched him closely. Directly in front of Jesus was a person who suffered from edema. Jesus asked the experts on the Law and the Pharisees, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath or not?" But they kept silent. With that, Jesus laid hands on the individual and healed the swelling, then sent the person away. Jesus said to the guests, "If one of you has a child—or even an ox—and it falls into a pit, won't you rescue it immediately, even on the Sabbath day?" They had no answer to this. Jesus went on to address a parable to the guests, noticing how they were trying to get a place of honour at the table. "When you're invited to a wedding party, don't sit in the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished has been invited. Otherwise the hosts might come and say to you, 'Make room for this person,' and you would have to proceed shamefacedly to the lowest place. What you should do is go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your hosts approach you they'll say, 'My friend, come up higher.' This will win you the esteem of the other guests. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Then Jesus said to the host, "Whenever you give a lunch or dinner, don't invite your friends or colleagues or relatives or wealthy neighbours. They might invite you in return and thus repay you. No, when you have a reception, invite those who are poor or have physical infirmities or are blind. You should be pleased that they can't repay you, for you'll be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

The Inclusive Bible

Reflection: Bishop Michael Pryse

Unison

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F B \flat F B \flat C Dm

Spir-it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of liv - ing.

B \flat C Dm F/C Gm F/A B \flat

As you love may I love, in re-ceive - ing and in giv-ing,

C 7 F B \flat F Fine F B \flat F

Spir-it, o - pen my heart.

- 1 God, re - place my ston - y heart
- 2 Write your love u - pon my heart
- 3 May I weep with those who weep,

F/A B \flat C Dm Dm 7 Gm/B \flat

with a heart that's kind and ten - der. All my cold -
as my law, my goal, my sto - ry. In each thought,
share the joy of sis - ter, broth - er. In the wel -

F/C Dm F/C Gm F/A B \flat C D.C.

ness and fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.
word, and deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.
come of Christ, may we wel - come one an - oth - er.

Words: Ruth Duck, 1994

Music: traditional melody, Ireland; arr. Arthur G. Clyde, 1997

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WILD MOUNTAIN THYME

7 8 6 8 with refrain

Song: Spirit Open My Heart

Prayer Attributed to Jesus

translated from the Syriac by Neil Douglas-Klotz

O, Birther of the Cosmos, focus your light within us- make it useful.
Create your reign of unity now
Your one desire then acts with ours.
As in all light
So in all forms,
Grant us what we need each day in bread and insight;
Loose the cords of mistakes binding us,
As we release the strands we hold of other's guilt.
Don't let the surface things delude us,
But free us from what holds us back.
From you is born all ruling will,
The power and the life to do,
The song that beautifies all,
From age to age it renews.
I affirm this with my whole being.

Postlude: Op. 11, No.22. by A. Scriabin

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