

Good Morning Church!

**NORTH BEND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Sunday, February 26, 2023

*Because God is worthy we worship*

*\*indicates to stand, if able*

**GATHERING AND WELCOME**

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

*(Are there any other Announcements?)*

## COME BEFORE THE LORD

### **\*Call to Worship<sup>1</sup>**

Leader: Happy are those whose sins are forgiven.

**People: Happy are those whose sins are cast away.**

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord! Be glad!

**People: Sing out! Shout for joy!**

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord!

**People: Rejoice! Amen!**

### **\*Singing**

*How Great Thou Art*

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(v. 1, 3)

**1. O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy power throughout the universe displayed.**

### *Refrain*

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art!**

**3. And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died to take away my sin;**

*Refrain*

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art!**

**PRAY UNTO THE LORD**

**\*Praying Together<sup>1</sup>**

**Holy One, we are constantly bombarded with temptations and enticements. When we yield, when we fail, who will help us? You, Lord, have come to our aid. You teach us, counsel us, and guide us in the ways we should go. We rejoice in your unfailing love. Amen.**

**Joys & Concerns**

**Silent & Pastoral Prayer**

**HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD**

**Anthem**

*Who Moved*

**Reading the Scripture**

Exodus 20:14 (NIV)

20:14 “You shall not commit adultery.

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**Proclaiming the Gospel**

*Seventh Commandment*

**CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT**

**Confession and Pardon**

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**Merciful God,**

**we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have failed to be an obedient church.**

**We have not done your will,**

**we have broken your law,**

**we have rebelled against your love,**

**we have not loved our neighbors,**

**and we have not heard the cry of the needy.**

**Forgive us, we pray.**

**Free us for joyful obedience,**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*(All pray in silent confession)*

*Leader to people:*

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;  
that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

*People to leader:*

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

*Everyone:*

**Glory to God. Amen.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

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Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**A: We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere

to give thanks to you, Father Almighty creator of heaven and earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**A: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

P: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

“Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

“Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**A: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

P: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**A: Amen.**

P: And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

**A: 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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.**

**Breaking the Bread**

**Giving the Bread and Cup**

**After Communion Prayer**

**RESPOND IN THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD**

**\*Singing**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

UMH #384

(v. 1, 2)

**1. Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down;  
fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
all thy faithful mercies crown!**



**Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation;  
enter every trembling heart.**

**2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit  
into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in thee inherit;  
let us find that second rest.  
Take away our bent to sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning,  
set our hearts at liberty.**

**GO IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD**

**\*Receiving the Blessing**

**Postlude**

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