



Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned.
Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you.

Luke 6:37-38a

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

February 20, 2022

8:30 & 11:00 AM

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Mercy. Mercy. Mercy. Joseph lives it in Egypt. Jesus preaches it in the gospel. The Spirit guides us into merciful lives with the power of forgiveness to reconcile what is fractured and divided. Such merciful living is the baptismal blessing of having put on Christ. It is the gift of the life-giving Spirit. It is a reflection of God's glory revealed in Christ.

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by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through
worship, witness, education, service and fellowship.*

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SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Setting Nine

✠ GATHERING ✠

OPENING VOLUNTARY Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier, BWV 731

J.S. Bach

Joshua Sobel, Music Intern

ACCLAMATION

Bruce W. Tippet

Alleluia. Love your enemies, and you will be children of the Most High;
forgive, and you will be forgiven. *Alleluia.*

(Luke 6:35, 37)

We stand.

RINGING OF THE BELL

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.**

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God,

Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,
and by his authority,

I therefore declare to you
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,

and of the ✠ Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN 510 Word of God, Come Down on Earth

LIEBSTER JESU, WIR SIND HIER

1 Word of God, come down on earth, liv - ing rain from
2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to
3 Word that speaks God's ten - der love, one with God be -

heav'n de - scend - ing; touch our hearts and bring to birth
life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heav'n to die,
yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove

faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - y,
cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, sav - ing Word, the
God the Spir - it, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to

we re - vere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.
world re - stor - ing, speak to us, your love out - pour - ing.
all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer- cy.



For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



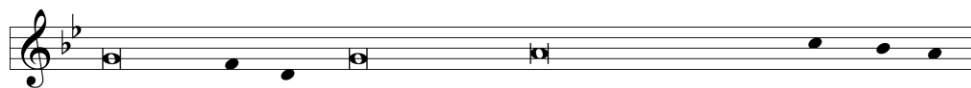
For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of



God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer- cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us gra-cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of

God; you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

3 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men, a - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. *A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

After the prayer the assembly responds: Amen.

We sit.

WELCOME

✠ WORD ✠

FIRST READING Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’” And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds: Thanks be to God.*



- ¹Do not be provoked by | evildoers;
do not be jealous of those | who do wrong.
- ²For they shall soon wither | like the grass,
and like the green grass | fade away.
- ³Put your trust in the LORD | and do good;
dwell in the land and | find safe pasture.
- ⁴Take delight | in the LORD,
who shall give you your | heart's desire.
- ⁵Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust | in the LORD,
and see what | God will do.
- ⁶The LORD will make your vindication as clear | as the light
and the justice of your case like the | noonday sun.
- ⁷Be still before the LORD | and wait patiently.
Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in | evil schemes.
- ⁸Refrain from anger, leave | rage alone;
do not be provoked; it leads on- | ly to evil.
- ⁹For evildoers shall | be cut off,
but those who hope in the LORD shall pos- | sess the land.
- ¹⁰In a little while the wicked shall | be no more;
even if you search out their place, they will | not be there.
- ¹¹But the lowly shall pos- | sess the land;
they will delight in abun- | dance of peace.
- ³⁹But the deliverance of the righteous comes from | you, O LORD;
you are their stronghold in | time of trouble.
- ⁴⁰You, O LORD, will help them and | rescue them;
you will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because in you | they seek refuge.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

But someone will ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?” Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, “The first man, Adam, became a living being”; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

We stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter - nal life.

GOSPEL Luke 6:27-38

The holy gospel according to Luke.



[Jesus said:] “But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



We sit.

SERMON

Rev. Bryant

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY 587 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

ST. HELENA



- 1 There's a wide-ness
- 2 There is wel-come
- 3 For the love of
- 4 'Tis not all we



in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness of the sea;
for the sin - ner, and a prom - ised grace made good;
God is broad - er than the mea - sures of our mind;
owe to Je - sus; it is some - thing more than all:



there's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice which is more than
there is mer - cy with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing
and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der -
great - er good be - cause of e - vil, larg - er mer - cy



lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's sor - rows
in his blood. There is grace e - nough for thou - sands
ful - ly kind. But we make this love too nar - row
through the fall. Make our love, O God, more faith - ful;



are more felt than up in heav'n. There is no place
of new worlds as great as this; there is room for
by false lim - its of our own; and we mag - ni -
let us take you at your word, and our lives will



where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment giv'n.
fresh cre - a - tions in that up - per home of bliss.
fy its strict - ness with a zeal God will not own.
be thanks-giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

Each portion of the prayers concludes:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

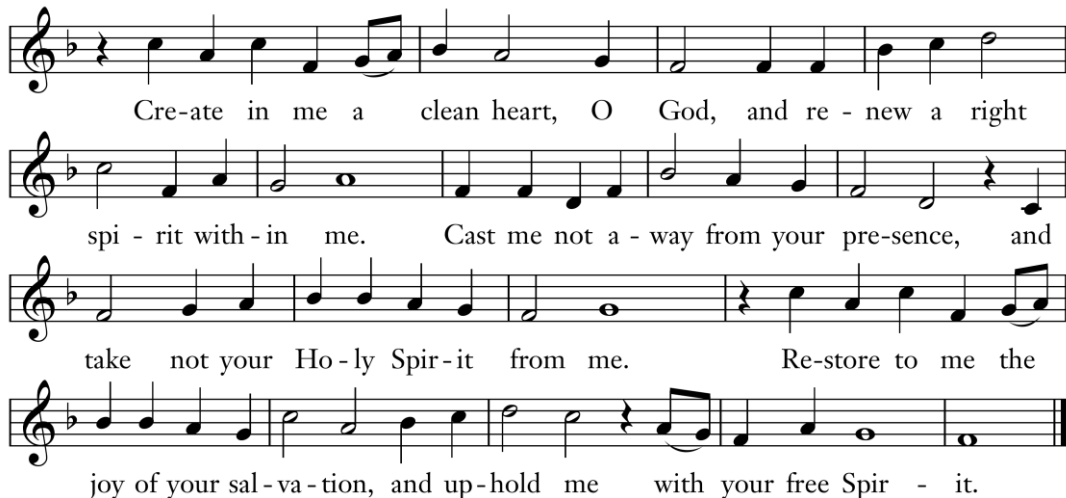
The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

✠ MEAL ✠

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spi - rit with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pre-sence, and
take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the
joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.

Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:

our selves, our time, and our possessions.

Use us, and what we have gathered,

in feeding the world with your love,

through the one who gave himself for us,

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows a musical score for 'Great Thanksgiving' in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al-so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.' The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final double bar line at the end of the fourth staff.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for 'Sanctus' in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.' The melody is more complex than the 'Great Thanksgiving' section, featuring some chromaticism and a final double bar line at the end of the fifth staff.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.

You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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 and ever. Amen.**

The presiding minister lifts the bread and cup and says

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ.

The assembly responds

Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.

AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

We sit.

COMMUNION

Today we will be communing using the individual communion kits that you received when you arrived for worship. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please wait to take communion until the pastor comes to the end of the row and shares the Eucharistic Proclamation with you. Visitors and children are welcome to receive communion. Those who have never communed and would like to are encouraged to talk to a pastor. All who do not receive communion will receive a blessing.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

ANTHEM (8:30) Where True Charity and Love Dwell

Kaye Saunders

Where true charity and love dwell, God is also there.
Since the love of Christ has joined us in one body,
Let us all be glad and rejoice now and always.
As we love and serve our Lord, the living God,
So let us with sincerity love each other.

ANTHEM (11:00) Grant Peace, We Pray

Felix Mendelssohn

Grant peace, we pray, in mercy Lord;
In our time of peace oh send us!
For there is none on earth but thee,
None other to defend us.
Thou only, Lord, can fight for us.

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

✠ **SENDING** ✠

BLESSING

The Lord bless you...and ✠ give you peace.



SENDING HYMN 603 God, When Human Bonds Are Broken

MERTON

1 God, when hu-man bonds are bro-ken and we lack the love or skill
 2 Through that still-ness, with your Spir-it come in-to our world of stress,
 3 You in us are bruised and bro-ken: hear us as we seek re-lease
 4 Send us, God of new be-gin-nings, hum-bly hope-ful in-to life.
 5 Give us faith to be more faith-ful, give us hope to be more true,

to re-store the hope of heal-ing, give us grace and make us still.
 for the sake of Christ for-giv-ing all the fail-ures we con-fess.
 from the pain of ear-lier liv-ing; set us free and grant us peace.
 Use us as a means of bless-ing: make us stron-ger, give us faith.
 give us love to go on learn-ing: God, en-cour-age and re-new!

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Allegro maestoso *from* Sonata II
Joshua Sobel, Music Intern

Felix Mendelssohn

Soli Deo Gloria!

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Announcements

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Carla Lynch's mother, Zelma Rohde, and in memory of her father, Marlow Rohde, both of whom have contributed so much to the Augsburg Quilt Ministry.

This week we keep in prayer Milrie Lentz, 1351 Suzanna Wesley Dr., Winston-Salem, NC 27104. Please send **Milrie** a note.

Pastor Lori's Ordination service will be held at Augsburg on Saturday, February 26, at 3:00 p.m. A reception will follow in the Family Life Center and in a tent by the Outdoor Gathering Space.

Love for Lowrance: Bring baked goods this Sunday to Augsburg to be shared with the teachers & staff at Lowrance Middle School on Monday. Please wrap your baked goods and pack in containers you do not need back, as well as label with a list of ingredients. You can also drop off donations in front of the church on 5th Street from 12:30-1:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon.

Save the date! Grand View University will be giving a concert at Augsburg on Tuesday, March 15 at 7:00 p.m. Email cantor@alcws.org if you have any questions.

Pastor Paul's Bible Study will meet this coming Tuesday, February 22, at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. This week will be the final session of the study on the Theology of Time. The 7:00 p.m. session is a one-time synopsis of this study that is available for those who haven't been able to join the Tuesday afternoon sessions. A Zoom link for both sessions will be included in the weekly "This Week @ Augsburg" Flocknote sent out on Monday.

Augsburg's Overflow Shelter can use your help! Pray for our guests and volunteers, sign-up for volunteer spots and donate supplies to help us provide good hospitality and care for our shelter guests. **Donations needed include:** men's boxers, men's crew socks, hotel/travel size toiletries, Lysol/Clorox wipes, coffee, sugar, paper coffee cups, or laundry detergent. All donations can be left at the welcome tables at worship or in the church office.

To sign up go to <https://signup.com/go/AugsburgShelter>.

Email katie@alcws.org if you have questions or would like to help.

We keep you in prayer. Our pastors continue to be available for your pastoral care needs. If you would like to reach a pastor, please send them an email. Pastor Paul is seniorpastor@alcws.org and Pastor Katie is katie@alcws.org.

Readings for next week: Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2; Luke 9:28-36

Worship attendance for services last week: 168 in person and **83** views on **YouTube**.

Providing Service Today

Bulletin Cover Artist

Muriel Riggs

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(8:30) Alex Paschold, Mark Galchutt

(11:00) Jack Strandhoy, Mark Galchutt

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Jan Wiles & Martha Claire Henzler

Presiding

Rev. Paul Wollner

Preaching

Rev. Katie Bryant

Greeters

(8:30) Mary Lou Leonard

(11:00) Don Wolford

Communion Assistants

(8:30) Cherie Hennig

(11:00) Vicki Strandhoy

Crucifer

(11:00) David Johnson

Divine Doodles



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Rostered Minister of Word and Service

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Observes Friday as her sabbath day.

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Leigh Anna Voigt, Director of Faith Formation
Robin Welch, Youth Coordinator
Hannah Norem, Communications Assistant

Dr. Timothy Olsen, Cantor
Bruce Tippet, Youth Music and Handbell Director
Joshua Sobel, Music Intern
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