



May 31, 2026
9 and 11 am NORTH
MorningSong

GREETING – Glen

PRELUDE – May, organ

*Marche Triomphale: Nun danket alle
Gott ("Now Thank We All Our God"), Op.65
No.59 Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)*

CALL TO WORSHIP - Seth

One: When morning gilds the skies, let our hearts awaken in praise.

Many: May Jesus Christ be praised.

One: In song and silence, in scripture and prayer, God meets us here.

Many: May Jesus Christ be praised.

One: With angels watching, rivers of peace flowing, and creation singing, we join the chorus of all that lives.

Many: May Jesus Christ be praised.

One: Come, people of God, let us worship with joy, gratitude, and hope.

All: May Jesus Christ be praised!

OPENING HYMN

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI/arr. Molly Ijames

CHOIR & CONGREGATION

*When morning gilds the skies my heart
awak'ning cries,*

"May Jesus Christ be praised."

*Alike at work and prayer, to Jesus I repair,
May Jesus Christ be praised!*

CHOIR ONLY

*The night becomes as day when from the heart
we say:*

May Jesus Christ be praised.

*The pow'rs of darkness fear when that sweet
song they hear.*

"May Jesus Christ be praised!"

*Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine,
May Jesus Christ be praised.
Be this the eternal song through all the ages
long,
May Jesus Christ be praised!*

WELCOME – Glen

Welcome New Members (11 am only):

Glen

Derrick and Stephanie Schuler

CHILDREN’S MOMENT –Mary Kate

ANTHEM- Chancel Choir

All Night, All Day

Traditional Spiritual/arr. Matthew Armstrong

(Choir only – no congregational singing)

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE
LORD’S PRAYER – John**

READINGS – Seth and John

Seth - Psalm 100, adapted

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship God with gladness.
Come into God's presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God.
It is God who made us, and we belong to God.
We are God's people, the sheep of God's
pasture.

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving,
and God's courts with praise.
Give thanks. Bless God's name.

For the Lord is good.
God's steadfast love endures forever,
and God's faithfulness continues to all
generations.

**Contemporary Reading – John
Diana Butler Bass, adapted**

The spiritual life begins in receiving.
Before we achieve, before we understand,
before we prove anything at all, life comes to
us as gift.

Gratitude is not simply politeness or positive
thinking. It is a way of seeing.
It teaches us to notice grace, to recognize that

we are held in a web of mercy, creation,
community, and love.

And when gratitude takes root in us, it
becomes more than a feeling. It becomes a
way of life.

ANTHEM

Peace Like a River

African American Spiritual/arr. Mack Wilberg

Sopranos & Altos (CHOIR & CONGREGATION)

*I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.*

Tenors & Basses (CHOIR & CONGREGATION)

*I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.*

CHOIR ONLY

I've got joy like a fountain...

I've got love like an ocean...

OFFERTORY

Invitation to Giving—Mary Kate

Receiving the People's Gifts

ANTHEM

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS/arr. Dan Forrest

(Choir begins:)

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.

*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.

*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.
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!*

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***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.***

**Presentation of Gifts and Prayer of
Dedication - Mary Kate**

ONE: As the gifts are presented, will all rise in
body or spirit?

**ALL: Generous God, morning by morning,
your mercies are new. Receive these gifts
as signs of our gratitude and trust. Use
them to bring peace where there is worry,
joy where there is weariness, love where
there is loneliness, and hope where there
is need. May all we give, and all we are,
join the song of your faithfulness.
Amen.**

Doxology - LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

READINGS – Seth and John

Lamentations 3:22-24, adapted

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.
God's mercies never come to an end.
They are new every morning.
Great is your faithfulness.
"The Lord is my portion," says my soul,
"therefore I will hope in God."

Contemporary Reading - John

Howard Thurman, adapted

There is within each person a deep place,
a quiet center where the soul meets the
Eternal. There, beneath the noise and
demands of the day, is an altar of truth,
dignity, and belonging. To listen for God is to
return to that inward place, where peace is
not escape, but the courage to live from what
is deepest and most true.

ANTHEM

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE/arr. Alice Parker (1925–2023)

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***Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Nought be all else to me, save that thou art,
Thou my best thought by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.***

CHOIR ONLY

*Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
thou my Creator, and I thy true child,
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.*

*Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.*

*High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's
Sun!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

**READINGS- Mary Kate, Seth and
John**

Mary Kate

Matthew 6:25–29, 33, adapted

Jesus said,

“Do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?

Look at the birds of the air.

They neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet God feeds them.

Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow.

They neither toil nor spin, yet even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

Strive first for the kingdom of God and God’s righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

Contemporary Readings

Seth

—from *An Altar in the World* by Barbara Brown Taylor

“Whoever you are, you are human.
Wherever you are, you live in the world,

which is just waiting for you to notice the holiness in it.”

John

—from *This Here Flesh* by Cole Arthur Riley

“To be able to marvel at the face of our neighbor
with the same awe we have for the mountaintop,
the sunlight refracting—
this manner of vision is what will keep us
from destroying each other.”

ANTHEM

All Creatures of Our God and King

LASST UNS ERFREUEN/arr. Tim Sarsany

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All creatures of our God and King,

Lift up your voice and with us sing:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

O burning sun with golden beam

And silver moon with softer gleam:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

CHOIR ONLY

O rushing wind and breezes soft,

*O clouds that ride the winds aloft:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
O rising morn, in praise rejoice,
O lights of evening, find a voice.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*Dear mother earth, who day by day
Unfolds rich blessings on our way,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
The fruits and flow'rs that verdant grow,
Let them God's beauty also show.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*All who for love of God forgive,
All who in pain or sorrow grieve:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ bears your burdens and your fears;
Still make your song amid the tears:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*And you, most kind and gentle death,
Waiting to hush our final breath,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
You lead to heav'n the child of God,
Where Christ our Lord the way has trod.
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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***Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship God in humbleness,
Alleluia! Alleluia!***

***Oh praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

BENEDICTION– Glen

Go now in the peace of Christ.
Go with God as your vision,
God's faithfulness as your song,
God's creation as your choir,
and God's love as your calling.
May the God who gives strength for today
and bright hope for tomorrow
bless you and keep you,
now and always.
Amen.

POSTLUDE – May

Festival Toccata Percy Fletcher (1879-1932)