

For Your Notes:

Continuation of bulletin....

*Hymn “FREELY, FREELY” P. 389

*Benediction

Postlude “SET A FIRE” Praise Team



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Gathering "GOD OF WONDERS" Praise Team

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "YOU ARE MY KING" (AMAZING LOVE)
Praise Team

Call to Worship

L. Followers of Christ, we live in a world where we hurt one another, where sin divides us one from another and makes us enemies instead of neighbors.

C. **Yet we are a people of grace, called by Christ to forgive and repair the rifts between us.**

L. The divisions in our world seem too much to overcome, and we wonder if this forgiveness thing really works anymore. Maybe it worked for Jesus, but not for us.

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L. We find ourselves tempted by easy answers and quick solutions, reticent to do the slow and difficult work of reconciliation.

C. **Yet we are a people of grace, called by Christ to forgive and repair the rifts between us.**

L. In this place, may we encounter Christ who meets us in the places where we want to give up, where we despair that life-giving change is even possible, with abundant grace to sustain us on the journey.

C. **God, form us today as people of grace, called by Christ to forgive and repair the rifts between us. AMEN**

Prayer Concerns for Today

Prayer for Today

*Hymn "MANY GIFTS ONE SPIRIT" p. 114

Offertory

*Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

Scripture Romans 14:1-12
Matthew 18:21-35

Liturgist
Pastor Darick

Message Pastor Darick

Prayer of Confession

O God, we seek your mercy...

Yet we ourselves look for payback when we are wronged. We think it "only fair" and "what is right" when we retaliate and use harsh words and withdraw from relationship. The forgiveness you offer on our account is larger than we can comprehend; still, we withhold forgiveness and carry the grudge over petty items. We are eager to do your judging and the worst: we conspire our inner thoughts to secure your forgiveness while avoiding honest repentance.

Silent Prayer of Confession

God's gift of forgiveness makes us able, with the power of the Holy Spirit, to choose to forgive, renew, and live again in right relationship with each other and with out God.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven

Glory to God! AMEN

Celebration of Holy Communion

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