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PRELUDE

Child of Love

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit Calls us together as the people of God.

CALL TO WORSHIP

In celebration of our baptism, we worship
In the name of God: Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG # 1

We Believe

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(Please be seated as we prepare our hearts for confession)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
**We confess that we struggle to embody your goodness
in the world and in our own hearts.
Creation groans from overuse.
Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.
Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.
Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love
to others.
Turn our hearts back to you.
Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.
Renew us to live as your holy people,
following the way of Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

Hear this good news:
We have peace with God through ✝ Jesus Christ,
in whom there is no condemnation,
but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
Receive freely this healing gift of grace.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG # 2

Be The Centre

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WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

GOSPEL

Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.
The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 21st Chapter
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ³³ "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away. ³⁴ When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵ But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶ Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷ Then he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' ³⁸ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get

his inheritance.' ³⁹ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰ Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" ⁴¹ They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

⁴² Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures:

'The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord's doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes'?

⁴³ "Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces its fruits. ⁴⁴ The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

⁴⁵ When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶ They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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SERMON

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SONG OF THE DAY

Cornerstone

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AFFIRMATION OF A MARRIAGE

Dear friends, we have come together in the presence of God to give thanks for the marriage of *Chris* and *Deeann Synder*, to surround them with our prayers, and to share in their joy.

The Lord God in goodness created us male and female, and by the gift of marriage founded human community in a joy that begins now and is brought to perfection in the life to come.

Because of sin, our age-old rebellion, the gladness of marriage can be overcast and the gift of a family can become a burden. But because God, who established marriage, continues still to bless it with abundant and ever-present support, we can be sustained in our weariness and have our joy restored.

Let us pray: Gracious God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ into the world to reveal your love to all people. Enrich *Chris* and *Deeann* with every good gift, that their life together may continue to show forth your love;

and grant that at the last
we may all celebrate with Christ the marriage feast that has no end;
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Chris and Deeann,
I invite you to affirm your vows to one another as husband and wife.

In the presence of God *and this community,*
I affirm my vow to you, *Deeann/Chris.*
With thanksgiving, I promise to share with you
all that is still to come
and to be faithful to you until death parts us.

Acclamation

Chris and Deeann, in the presence of God *and this assembly,*
affirm and give thanks for their life together as husband and wife.
Those whom God has joined together let no one separate.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

Families, friends, and all those gathered here with *Chris and Deeann,*
will you continue to support and care for them,
sustain and pray for them in times of trouble,
give thanks with them in times of joy,
honor the bonds of their covenant,
and affirm the love of God reflected in their life together?

We will.

The Lord bless your lives together
to bear witness to God's love,
in work and in companionship;
in your sleeping and in your waking;
in your joys and in your sorrows;
in your life and in your death,
in the name of the Father, and of  the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us affirm our faith with the 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.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of God's peace with one another.

(Please be seated and join us in prayer)

PRAYER SONG

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INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world.

A brief silence.

God of every generation, we give thanks for all who have sought to renew and transform your holy church, especially Theodor Fliedner, renewer of society.

Inspire us to follow their example in our daily lives. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of every creature, bless and protect the earth and all who dwell within it. We give thanks for those who have helped us to see your Spirit in creation, especially Francis of Assisi, renewer of the church. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of every tribe and nation, restore peace to the world's conflict zones and regions in crisis, especially in Asia, the Hawaiian Islands, the Middle East, the Caribbean nation of Haiti, and Eastern Europe. Shelter those who live within them. We pray especially for the safety of displaced people and refugees. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of every comfort, you made us in your own image. Grant healing and relief to all who are sick or suffering, especially Carol Bickel, Jane Alwardt, Lynn Sims, Bob Starr, Lynn Burk, Judith Iverson, Darin Mack, Larry Johnson, Sandy Fisher, Bob Ockree, Jennie Rohy, Ginny Erickson, Allison Gregory, Susan Klockow, David Grochowsky, Andrew Langr, Mark Krueger, Cathy Carleton, Dr. Kerry Randolph, Helen Mattina, and Beverly Carlson. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of every truth, you draw us nearer to you through your holy word. We give thanks for teachers of the faith, especially Susie Rucker, Tara Melgren, Katie Dogwiler, Beth Melgren, Rachel Bergin, Chuck Ryen, and Dennis Hoffman. Fill their hearts with your Spirit, that they may inspire others with your truth. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of every soul, you are the one who calls us home. We give thanks for all the saints who have been restored to perfect unity with you. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PRAYER SONG

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MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ invites you to this table.
All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION SONG

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TABLE BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Sustaining God,
with this bread and cup,
you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.
By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.
Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,
following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.
Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.
Amen.

SENDING SONG

Build Your Kingdom Here

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MISSION STATEMENT

Guided by the Gospel, we:
Welcome all to worship;
Make disciples;
Hunger for ministry;
Nurture youth;
Gather resources for growing ministries;
Offer healing and care to all in need.

DISMISSAL

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

OFFERING

(Please place gifts in the plate as you leave)