

~ *The Reverend Philip C. Spohn* ~

As you enter the worship space, feel free to go to the altar and light a candle representing your life and the light you are to the world. May you shine brightly throughout the week.

Order of Worship

Harvest Home ~ Newcomer Sunday

Organ Prelude

Steve Wysocki

No matter who you are or where you are on your faith journey, **you are welcome here!**

Welcome & Announcements

We are gathered and ready and aware of God's presence.

Chime~

Silence~

Prayer~

Opening Song: 10,000 Reasons

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;
Worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship your holy name.*

1 The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning.
It's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes...

2 You're rich in love, and you're slow to anger.
Your name is great, and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness, I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find...

3 And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near, and my time has come,
Still my soul will sing your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forever more...

Time for All Ages

Josh Gulotta

1st Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Ursula Merriman

Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.

¹ Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

⁷ When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

⁸ But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, “Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.” ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha’s house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, “Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.” ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, “I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?” He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants approached and said to him, “Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean’?” ¹⁴ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

^{15a-c} Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, “Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.”

Gospel Acclamation: *Go!*

Go, tell it on the mountain! Go, sing it in the streets.
Blessed are the feet of those who bring good news,
Announcing the gospel of peace.

Go, tell it on the mountain! Go, sing it in the streets.
Do not keep silent. Do not hold back.
Release the gospel of peace. Release the gospel of peace.

Gospel Reading: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus’ mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God’s mercy.

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸ Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹ Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

Help us God, as we seek to interpret what this means for our lives.

Message

Reception of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory: *Healer of Our Every Ill*

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*Healer of our every ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.*

1 You who know our fears and sadness,
grace us with your peace and gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts...

2 In the pain and joy beholding
how your grace is still unfolding,
give us all your vision, God of love...

3 Give us strength to love each other,
every sister, every brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide...

4 You who know each thought and feeling,
teach us all your way of healing;
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart...

Offering Response: *Give Thanks*

Give thanks with a grateful heart.
Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say I am strong.
Let the poor say I am rich.
Because of what the Lord has done for us,
Give thanks. Give thanks.

Prayers of the Church

Angela Drake

After each petition: We will live a life **with the heart and mind of a steward.**

Meghan, Lee Wagner, Michel Daage, Kris Richard, Bill Bergstresser, Kurt Rank, Gary Milla,
Tammy Harding, Dianne Diehl, John Snyder, Erna Branco, Steven Portnoy,
Kim Osmonson, Dawn Phillips, Leona, Mark Rambo, Bill Tone, Keith Schaedel,
Gary Brandt, Tiffany Weddle, Kyle

Finally, and together: **We offer our prayers, O God,
trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy,
in the name of Jesus, whom we love and follow.
Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Closing Song: *Goodness of God*

I love you, Lord.
Oh, your mercy never fails me.
All my days I've been held in your hands.
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God.
All my life you have been faithful.
All my life you have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able,
I will sing of the goodness of God.
I love your voice.
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night, you are close like no other.
I've known you as a father.
I've know you as a friend.
I have lived in the goodness of God.
All my life you have been faithful.
All my life you have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able,
I will sing of the goodness of God.

Your goodness is running after,
It's running after me.
Your goodness is running after,
It's running after me.
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered.
Now I give you everything.
You goodness is running after,
It's running after me.
All my life you have been faithful.
All my life you have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able,
I will sing of the goodness of God.
I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God.
I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God.
Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God.

Benediction: *Share Your Faith*

Share your faith. Share the peace and joy you know.
Share the light in a world of darkness.
Share the truth that can set all people free.
Be the love of Christ. Let him live in you and me.

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

Lord, thank you for blessing our congregation with such earnest and passionate leaders in Phil and Josh. Strengthen them as faithful shepherds of your care, and keep them faithful and true to your word. Keep us grateful to them for preaching your word in truth, for their fellowship in the Gospel, for their influence in our faith community, and for the example of their Christian lives. May we always be aware of our obligation to pray for our pastors, to honor them, and to support them in their ministries. Bless them now, we humbly pray, as they continue to bless us. Amen.