Hearing-assistive devices and large print Bibles are available from the ushers at the back of the church.

The Word of God

Prelude  Adagio, BWV 564  Johann Sebastian Bach

Hymn #390  Praise to the Lord  Lobe den Herren

Opening Acclamation and Response
Celebrant  Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People  Glory to God for ever and ever.

Song of Praise  Hymnal S280

The Collect of the Day
Celebrant  God be with you.
People  And also with you.
Celebrant  Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

People  Amen.

First Reading  Sirach 10:12-18
Reader  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People  Thanks be to God.

Psalm 112
said by all

1 Hallelujah!  
Happy are they who fear the Lord * 
and have great delight in his commandments!  
2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; * 
and the generation of the upright will be blessed.  
3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, * 
and their righteousness will last for ever.  
4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; * 
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.  
5 It is good for them to be generous in lending * 
and to manage their affairs with justice.  
6 For they will never be shaken; * 
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.  
7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; * 
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.  
8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, * 
until they see their desire upon their enemies.  
9 They have given freely to the poor, * 
and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.  
10 The wicked will see it and be angry; * 
they will gnash their teeth and pine away; * 
the desires of the wicked will perish.

Second Reading  Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-1 Pew Bible, p. 1100-1101
Reader  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People  Thanks be to God.

Hymn #440  Blessed Jesus, at thy word  Liebster Jesu

Gospel  The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People  Glory to you, Lord Christ.
Gospel  Luke 14:1, 7-14  Pew Bible, p. 953-54
Gospeller  The Gospel of the Lord.
People  Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Peace
Celebrant  The peace of Christ be always with you.
People  And also with you.

Welcome  The Rev. Jered Weber-Johnson, Rector

Sermon  The Rev. Craig Lemming, Associate Rector

Nicene Creed  The Book of Common Prayer p. 358

Prayers of the People
Reader  God of love and mercy,  
All  Hear our prayer.
Reader  Gracious God:  
All  You have faithfully guided the people of the Episcopal Church in Minnesota since the very beginning. You have raised up hardworking and entrepreneurial leaders, blessed us with racial and cultural diversity, deepened our faith, given us the courage to stand with neighbors who are struggling, and increased our awareness of your presence and activity. Help us trust your Holy Spirit as we open our minds and hearts to discern the leader who can help us participate in your preferred and promised future. In the name of Jesus, the one who came to share our place and free us from everything that keeps us from your love so we can live for others. Amen. — The Bishop Search Prayer

Confession and Absolution
Deacon  Let us confess our sins to God.
All  God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against You, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant  Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All  Amen.

The Peace
The Holy Communion
All are welcome at the Lord’s table. The common loaf is gluten-free. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms.

Offertory and Presentation
Piano Meditation

Presentation of the Gifts
Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer 1
Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy...

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:
Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymnal S128

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life...

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
All Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

Celebrant ...Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer
Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All 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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread
Fraction Anthem
Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
People We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Distribution
Hymn #304 I come with joy
Ubi Caritas

Hymn Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

Sending forth Eucharistic Visitors (as applicable)
Deacon In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood.

People We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Post Communion Prayer
Standing or kneeling, as is your custom

All God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Hymn #527 Singing songs of expectation

Blessing

Dismissal
Deacon Our worship here is ended; now our service begins.
People Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Postlude
Trumpet Tune Flor Peeters

Assisting in the Service
Celebrant The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson
Preacher The Reverend Craig Lemming
Deacon The Reverend Margaret Thor
Director of Music Richard Gray
Altar Guild Colleen Swope, Sue Cadwell, Shirlee Gooch, Paige Hagstrom, Sabine Krall, Thca Bischof
Acolyte Thomas Rinkoff
Readers Tony Clark, Lyelle Palmer
Verger Bob Linehan
Ushers Julia Ferguson & Rick Rinkoff, Diane Power
Greeters Cindy Bertheau, Beth Bowman
Coffee Hour Julia Ferguson & Garden Circle

This morning’s altar flowers are given in thanksgiving for the lives of Mary-Louise Clary, Jean and Grayson Clary, Alyce D. & George R. Hunt.

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