

Welcome!

October 4, 2015 +8:30 A.M. +++11:00 A.M.
World Communion Sunday

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Greg Brokaw, Lay Leader

PRELUDE

Prelude on St. Thomas
Heather Cooper, organ

Healey William

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Barbara Brown Taylor's *Learning to Walk in the Dark*

ONE: Isaiah tells us "I will give you treasures in the darkness and riches hidden in secret places"

MANY: So that we may know that it is indeed You, the Lord, the God of Israel, who calls us by name.

ONE: We know that darkness is real—

MANY: We know that the light of Christ will always be stronger.

ONE: Even so, the darkness continues— and we continue to learn things in the dark we could have never learned in the light.

MANY: The darkness is a part of our world; we are not to run from it.

ALL: If we only sing of goodness and light, the darkness may gain a foothold through our lack of vigilance. Overcoming the darkness, then, involves acknowledging it. You are the Lord of life who gives us courage to face the darkness as witnesses to Christ's triumph over it.

*BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Acolyte

*HYMN OF INTENTION

"This is the Day of New Beginnings"

No. 383

+++ ANTHEM

Halleluya! Pelo Tsa Rona

South African

Halleluya! We sing your praises! All our hearts are filled with gladness. Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread, give to those that thirst and hunger. Now he sends us all out, strong in faith free of doubt.

Carol Choir; Debbie Garren, director

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

+ *Amazing Grace*

arr. Rumsey

Charlene Dombrowski, flute; Ellie Plaster, oboe; Emily Jacobs, clarinet;
Kristin Lautanen, horn; Kelcey Norris, bass clarinet
Harmonia Sacra Woodwinds

+++ *Song for a Happy Heart*

Cherub Choir; Sandy Wallace, director

Bobby Fisher

*DOXOLOGY

No. 94 or See Below

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!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ARTISTIC LESSON

Selections from *Night* by Ellie Wiesel

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK IN OUR LIVES

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, AND 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 glory forever. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Psalms 136 pg. 576 OT

SERMON

Singing in the Dark: Compassion

Rev. Cara Stultz Costello

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

The Great Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and Cup

(To best honor our members who are gluten intolerant the communion wafers in the side stations are gluten free)

Communion Anthems

+++ *Amazing Grace*

arr. Rumsey

Charlene Dombrowski, flute; Ellie Plaster, oboe; Emily Jacobs, clarinet;
Kristin Lautanen, horn; Kelcey Norris, bass clarinet
Harmonia Sacra Woodwinds

**Please stand as you are able*

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*HYMN OF MISSION

“Christ is the World’s Light ”

No. 188

*CHRIST’S LIGHT TO THE WORLD

Acolyte

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Jesus Shall Reign

Bob Boud



Come-Union: All are invited to extend your worship encounter with God by meeting at the Communion Table to prayerfully and joyfully share the remaining blessed elements of bread and juice.

Next Sunday, October 11 Singing in the Dark series

Pastor Steve preaching

8:30 Celebration Bells & Heather Cooper, organ

Rita Backhurst, liturgist

9:45 Special Music & Modern Worship Team

11:00 Chancel Choir & Heather Cooper, organ

Tom Strauch , liturgist



October 4, 2015

Singing in the Dark Series

Co-Pastors: Revs. Cara & Steve Stultz Costello

Organist: Heather Cooper

Liturgists: + Sandy Vaughn

+++Tom Douce

Greeters: + Rob, Tory, & Zip Christian

+++Sue Schillings & Charlene Dombrowski

*Today's flowers are given by Barb & Len Terlizzi in memory of
grandsons Samuel & Christopher*



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