

Order of Worship for 7/30/23

10:00am CST

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*The beautiful floral arrangement is from Donna Fike in loving memory of George as he
celebrates his heavenly 86th birthday today. He is missed.*

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We seek the kin-dom of God:

**People: where the smallest seeds turn into great
Plants.**

Leader: We seek the kin-dom of God:

People: as precious as pearls or treasure.

Leader: We seek the kin-dom of God:

People: where joy and abundance reign.

OPENING PRAYER (all)

Eternal God,

Protector of all who put their trust in you,

Without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy;

Fill us with your mercy and your grace,

That, with you to rule and guide,

We may so use the good things of this present life

That we do not neglect those of eternal worth;

Through Jesus Christ our lord,

Who lives and reigns with you

In the unity of the Holy Spirit

One god, now and forever. Amen

***OPENING HYMN #455**

All Creatures of our God and King

1 All creatures of our God and King,

Lift up your voice and with us sing,

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,

Thou silver moon with softer gleam,

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong,

Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,

O sing ye! Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

3 Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou fire so masterful and bright,
That givest man both warmth and light,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 Thou fertile earth, that day by day
Unfoldest blessings on our way,
O sing ye! Alleluia!
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
Let them God's glory also show!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

5 And everyone of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye! Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and cast on God your care!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 All creatures, your Creator bless,
And worship God in humbleness.
O sing ye! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

****PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all)***

**Spirit, intercede . . .
when we fall short of your glory,
when we do not deserve your promises,
when we do not act like those who have been
called your family.**

**Spirit, intercede . . .
when our words wound,
when our silence speaks volumes,
when our actions are a far cry from what you
would have us do.**

**Spirit, intercede . . .
break forth into our lives,
forming us into the image of your Son,
that we might never feel separate from you
again.**

****ASSURANCE OF PARDON***

****HYMN #2026***

Halle Hallelujah

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah
Halle, Halle, Hallelujah
Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 105:1-11 (p.556)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 8:26-39 (p.10)

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Libby Shannon

****HYMN OF RESPONSE #339*** Be Thou My Vision

1 Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art--
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

2 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

3 Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

ESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY CALL & OFFERTORY MUSIC

PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

****DOXOLOGY #592***

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

SENT IN GOD'S NAME

***CLOSING HYMN #298**

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1 There's a wideness in God's mercy,
Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in God's justice,
Which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows
Are more felt than up in heaven;
There is no place where earth's failings
Have such kindly judgment given.

2 For the love of God is broader
Than the measures of the mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more faithful,
We would gladly trust God's word;
And our lives reflect thanksgiving
For the goodness of our Lord.

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

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