

## **Order of Worship for 7/2/23**

10:00am CST

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*The beautiful flowers are in celebration of Amy Feldkamp's 30th birthday on July 6th  
and Ella's 1st birthday today! They are also in memory of our Grandma/Great-  
Grandma Gay who would have been 81 on July 8th.*

### **GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

#### **RINGING OF THE BELL**

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you that are weary and I will give  
you rest."

**People: All of us know what it is like to be weary. All of us carry  
heavy burdens.**

Leader: Let us accept Christ's invitation.

**People: We long to rest in God**

#### **OPENING PRAYER (all)**

**God of the covenant,  
In our baptism you called us  
Give us courage like you gave the apostles,  
That we may faithfully witness to your love and peace  
In every circumstance of life,  
In the name of Jesus Christ our redeemer,  
Who lives and reigns with you  
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
One god, forever and ever. Amen**

#### **\*OPENING HYMN #403**

What a Friend I Have in Jesus

1 What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit;  
O what needless pain we bear,  
all because we do not carry  
everything to God in prayer!

2 Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged;  
take it to the Lord in prayer!

Can we find a friend so faithful  
who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness;  
take it to the Lord in prayer!

3 Are we weak and heavy laden,  
cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge;  
take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In his arms he'll take and shield thee;  
thou wilt find a solace there.

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

**Faithful One, Despite our best efforts, we have not lived up to what we can do or who we can be. Even when our intentions are good, our actions cause harm. Even when we want to follow you more closely, we end up turning away. We are at war with ourselves, and only you can bring peace. Still our souls, order our steps, guide our feet back to your way Amen**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*HYMN #2026**

Halle Hallelujah

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

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Romans 7:15-25a (p.157)

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Matthew 11:16-19 (p11)

**TIME FOR CHILDREN**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Zechariah 9:9-12 (p.884)

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

**SERMON**

*God's Answer to Our Dilemma*

**\*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.

### ***RESPONDING 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 #310***      Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee

1 Jesus, the very thought of Thee  
With sweetness fills my breast;  
But sweeter far Thy face to see,  
And in Thy presence rest.

2 Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,  
Nor can the mind recall  
A sweeter sound than Thy blest name,  
O Savior of us all.

3 O hope of every contrite heart,  
O joy of all the meek,  
To those who fall, how kind Thou art!  
How good to those who seek!

4 But what to those who find? Ah, this  
Nor tongue nor pen can show;  
The love of Jesus, what it is,  
None but His loved ones know.

5 Jesus, our only joy be Thou,  
As Thou our prize will be;  
Jesus, be Thou our glory now,  
And through eternity.

***\*BENEDICTION***

## ***POSTLUDE***

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