

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



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**John Dillon, Pastor**  
**October 30, 2022 | 10:00 am**  
**Reformation Sunday**

# WE GATHER IN GRACE

*A “+” indicates all are invited to stand.*

PRELUDE: A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

WORDS OF WELCOME

+CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Lord, plant the seed in our minds and in our souls. Let the very thought of you, and your love for us, grow strong within us, and let that knowledge become a vital force in our living, in our words and actions

+HYMN # 82 COME, THOU LONG -EXPECTED JESUS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Oh, would we have faith so strong as to be able to trust you with everything. This is what we crave— faith to trust that ‘all will be well’, that ‘all will be put right’, that the world and its people can be ‘safe in your control.’

**All: It is hard, Lord. It is hard to keep believing that despite our floundering, failings, and lack of faith in ourselves, that you maintain faith in us. It is hard, Lord. It is hard to believe that you could have chosen us for such an important task, when we are so familiar with our doubt and weakness.**

+RESPONSE: HYMN #70 WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF YOU

**What does the Lord require of you?**

**What does the Lord require of you?**

**Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.**

**To seek justice and love kindness**

**and walk humbly with your God.**

## ABSOLUTION AND PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor: Merciful God, no matter how hard it might be for us, today show us enough of your grace, that we might know ourselves forgiven for our doubts and our questioning. We ask that you steer us towards a growing faith, that we might trust and believe and be more confident disciples in your name. God loves us and forgives all.  
Share the Peace of Christ.

+SUNG RESPONSE: HYMN #583 GLORY TO GOD

## WE GROW IN GRACE

WEE WORSHIP AND 3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 19:1–10

ANTHEM: TAKE MY LIFE, LORD Margaret Rizza

MESSAGE *“The Word of God”* Rev. John Dillon

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, we pray that your name will always be kept holy. We pray that your kingdom will come. We pray that what you want will be done, here on earth as it is in heaven. Give us the food we need for each day. Forgive the sins we have done, just as we have forgiven those who did wrong to us. And do not cause us to be tested; but save us from the Evil One. The kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours forever. Amen.**

SEASON OF GRATITUDE: STEWARDSHIP IS LOVE

OFFERING: THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD, I'LL NOT WANT Instrumental

+DOXOLOGY HYMN # 608

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore**

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## **WE GO IN GRACE**

+SENDING

+HYMN # 720 JESUS CALLS US

GTG 720

POSTLUDE: TOCCATA IN D MINOR

J.S. Bach

*We gather in grace, we grow in grace, we go in grace...  
The journey continues in an ever-widening circle of grace.*

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**MUSIC LEADERS: CHOIR**

**DIRECTED BY: ANTHONY JAY HOUSTON AND SCOTT IDDINGS**

**ACCOMPANISTS: ANN LEGG AND MIKE GRISWOLD**

**TECHNICAL DIRECTOR: STEVE CONNELL**

*Our worship service is being livestreamed and is on Zoom*



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# 275 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul-wark nev - er  
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be  
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -  
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing. Our help - er he, a - mid the flood of  
 los - ing, were not the right man on our side, the  
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his  
 bid - eth. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours through

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth  
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ  
 truth to tri - umph through us. The Prince of Dark - ness grim, we  
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this

seek to work us woe. His craft and power are great, and  
 Je - sus, it is he. Lord Sab - a - oth his name, from  
 trem - ble not for him. His rage we can en - dure, for  
 mor - tal life al - so. The bod - y they may kill; God's

Long before Isaac Watts began to Christianize the Psalms, Martin Luther had already done so when he created the text and tune for this, his most famous hymn, which is based on Psalm 46. Luther encouraged metrical versions of psalms as well as chanted psalms and new hymns.

# What Does the Lord Require of You? 70

Capo 3: (G) (D) (Em) (Bm)  
 B<sup>b</sup> F Gm Dm

\*1.  
 What does the Lord re - quire of you?

2.  
 Jus - tice, kind - ness,

3.  
 To seek jus - tice and love kind - ness

(C) (G) (Am) (D) (G)  
 E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Cm F B<sup>b</sup> *Repeat as desired*

What does the Lord re - quire of you?  
 walk hum - bly with your God.  
 and walk hum - bly with your God.

*\*The three melodic phrases may be sung consecutively, as a canon, or in any combination.*

This text is a very slight paraphrase of the latter part of Micah 6:8. That verse sums up in a single sentence the legal, ethical, and covenantal requirements of religion. The intertwining of these commitments can be suggested by singing these phrases in an overlapping canon.

# Glory to God

583

*Gloria, gloria*

Capo 3: ( Bm ) (Em) (A) (D)  
 Dm Gm C F (*chords continue*)

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!  
 Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

\*May be sung as a canon.

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text  
 MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979  
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GLORIA (Taizé)

## Jesus Calls Us

720

1 Je - sus calls us: o'er the tu - mult of our  
 2 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the  
 3 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of  
 4 Je - sus calls us: by thy mer - cies, Sav - ior,

life's wild, rest - less sea; day by day his sweet voice  
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would  
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and  
 may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thy o -

sound - eth say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me."  
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."  
 be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

Like many hymns that adults have come to cherish, this text based on Jesus' calling of the disciple Andrew was written for a 19th-century collection of hymns for children. The popular tune used here was composed for these words more than a quarter of a century later.