

SENDING

- *Hymn "Here I Am, Lord" Hymnal #69
- *Benediction
- *Congregational Response "In Christ There Is No East or West" Hymnal #317
*In Christ there is no east or west, in Him no south or north;
But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.*
- *Postlude

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Pastor: Rev. Sam Codington

Please rise in body or spirit, where you see an asterisk. *

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

JANUARY 29, 2023 9:30 AM

GATHERING

Music for Meditation

Welcome, Announcements & Greeting

Words for Preparation:

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, I; send me!"

*Gathering Song

"I Will Call upon the Lord"

Hymnal #621

*I will call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised.
So shall I be saved from my enemies. I will call upon the Lord.
The Lord liveth and blessed be my Rock
and let the God of my salvation be exalted.
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Choral Introit

"All Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

J. Rodriguez

Call to Worship (Liturgies from Below, 2020)

Nancy Harber

Leader: Come unto me you who are depressed

All: and you who are oppressed.

Leader: Come unto me you who are hungry

All: and you who are angry.

Leader: Come unto me you who are unemployed

All: and you who are underemployed

Leader: Come unto me you who are anxious

All: and you who are bitter and frantic.

Leader: Come to the place of blessings,

All: where you will find rest, peace, and joy.

***Hymn** "How Great Thou Art" Hymnal #625

Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession

Leader: In sovereign love, God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, to live as one community. But we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's teaching through prophets and apostles, we violate the image of God in each other and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. In honesty and with a desire to grow, we turn to God and rely on God's grace.

Prayer of Confession (Cathedral Church of Saint George, Cape Town)

Leader: God of healing and wholeness, we confess our day-to-day failure to be human.

All: God, we confess to you.

Leader: God, we confess that we often fail to love with all we have and are, often because we do not fully understand what loving means, often because we are afraid of risking ourselves.

All: God, we confess to you.

Leader: God, we cut ourselves off from each other, and we erect barriers of division.

All: God, we confess to you.

Leader: God, we confess that by silence and ill-considered words,

All: we have built up walls of prejudice.

Leader: God, we confess that by selfishness and lack of sympathy,

All: we have stifled generosity and left little time for others.

Leader: Holy Spirit, speak to us. Help us to listen to your word of forgiveness, for we are very deaf.

All: Come fill this moment and free us from sin.

(Silent Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: In Christ, we find God meeting us, dwelling among us, walking with us on our way. In flesh, Christ knows our dreams and our struggles. On the cross, Christ knows our pain. Christ is within us and among us. Receive God's grace and love and forgiveness.

All: In Christ, our sins are forgiven, and with the Holy Spirit, we receive faith, hope, and love for each new day.

***Response** "Gloria Patri"

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end.
Amen.*

PROCLAIMING

Choral Anthem "Make a Joyful Noise" Buryl Red

Sermon on the Steps

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson (NRSV) Mark 1:40-2:12

Leader: For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us,

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Removing Every Barrier" Rev. Sam Codington

RESPONDING

***Hymn** "All Are Welcome" Hymnal #301

Prayers of the People

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory "Holy, Holy, Holy"

***Doxology**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

All: God of healing and wholeness, you call us to yourself. You nourish us and send us to do your work in the world. By your Holy Spirit, lead us in grace and truth that we may bear witness to the way of Christ. Receive this offering and our daily lives as gifts of our worship. Amen.