

Sunday November 17, 2024,
We Gather to Celebrate God's Presence

Welcome
Family Life and Work
Family Celebrations
Lighting of the Christ Candle:
Acknowledgement of the Land:

Introit: Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New

MV 115

**Behold, behold, I make all things new
beginning with you and starting from today
Behold, behold, I make all things new,
my promise is true for I am Christ the way.**

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Call to Worship:

We gather to worship God, our refuge and protector.

As God has chosen me, so I choose God.

Praise be to God who gives us counsel and instruction.

I rejoice heart and soul; in God I rest secure.

Opening Hymn: He's Got the Whole World

Chorus:

**He's got the whole world in His hands
He's got the big round world in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands**

Verse 1:

**He's got the wind and the rain in His hands
He's got the wind and the rain in His hands
He's got the wind and the rain in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands**

Verse 2:

**He's got the little bitty baby in His hands
He's got the little bitty baby in His hands
He's got the little bitty baby in His hands**

He's got the whole world in His hands

Verse 3:

**He's got you and me, brother, in His hands
He's got you and me, sister, in His hands
He's got you and me, brother, in his hands
He's got the whole world in His hands**

Verse 4:

**He's got everybody here, in His hands
He's got everybody here, in His hands
He's got everybody here, in His hands
He's got the whole world in His hands**

Prayer of Approach:

Holy and wholly gracious God, we gather here to praise and glorify you. Let us know that you are present with us. Let your Holy Spirit move among us and within us. You alone are worthy of praise and honour. Hear our hearts now as we say the words which Jesus taught us,

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**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 the glory for ever and ever. Amen**

First Reading: 1 Samuel 2: 1 - 10

Children's Time: "with Krista and Jerome"

Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejoice 🙌 🙌 (REPEAT)

Rejoice, rejoice, again I say rejoice 🙌 🙌
(REPEAT)

(Voices United 249)

Gospel Reading: Mark 13: 1 - 8

Gradual Hymn: Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

VU 593

**Jesu,* Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve
the neighbours we have from you.**

**1 Kneels at the feet of his friends,
silently washes their feet,
master who acts as a slave to them. R**

**2 Neighbours are rich and poor,
varied in colour and race,
neighbours are near and far away. R**

**3 These are the ones we should serve,
these are the ones we should love,
all are neighbours to us and you. R**

**4 Kneel at the feet of our friends,
silently washing their feet,
this is the way we should live with you. R**

We Listen

Meditation: "Light in Darkened Times"

Vocal Solo: Song for My Children (Anne Bruer-McChesney)

We Respond

Musical Offering: A Child of This World

Offertory: Tis the gift to be simple

VU 353

**Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free,
'tis the gift to come down where you ought to be,
and when we find ourselves in the place just right,
'twill be in the valley of love and delight.**

**When true simplicity is gained,
to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed;
to turn, turn will be our delight
'til by turning, turning, we come round right. For the Gift of Creation**

Offertory/Prayer of Dedication:

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Closing Hymn: Draw the Circle Wide

MV 145

**Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.
Let this be our song: no one stands alone.
Standing side by side, draw the circle, draw the circle wide...**

**God the still-point of the circle
Round you all creation turns
Nothing lost but held forever
in God's gracious arms**

Refrain

**Let our hearts touch far horizons
So encompass great and small
Let our loving know no borders
Faithful to God's call**

Refrain

**Let the dreams we dream be larger
Than we've ever dreamed before
Let the dream of Christ be in us
Open every door!**

Refrain

Benedictions and Commissioning

Choral Benediction: Go Now in Peace

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen, Amen, Amen**