

**St Paul's  
UCC**

**Henderson  
MN**

**April  
6th,  
2023**



**Organ Prelude**

**Ringing of  
the Bell**

**Prayer of Meditation:** O God of grace, you welcome us to the table of our Lord Jesus and give us gifts more than we deserve. Give us willingness to serve as he has served us and courage to follow him through every trial and danger. Amen.

# **\*Hymn God of Grace and God of Glory**

## **#198**

God of grace and God of glory,  
on thy people pour thy power;  
crown the ancient church's story;  
bring her bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us,  
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
From the fears that long  
have bound us,  
free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness,  
bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places;  
gird our lives that they may be  
armoured with all Christlike graces,  
In the fight to set men free.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
that we fail not man nor thee,  
that we fail not man nor thee!

Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore;  
let the search for thy salvation  
be our glory evermore.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.

## **\*Call to Worship**

L: God, we are your servants

**C: We are children of the one  
who came before us.**

L: We are sisters and brothers of  
the one who came to serve.



**C: Equip us to serve more fully  
with body, mind and spirit,**

**ALL: That we may do for others  
as your son did for us.**

## **\*Prayer of Adoration and Praise**

Gracious God help us with open minds and searching hearts to feel our way into the meaning and mystery of this night. Quicken our imagination so that what went on in the upper room may come alive for us. For we would sit at table with the twelve and open ourselves to the presence of Christ whose praise we sing, whose sacrifice we honor, whose name we adore.  
Amen.

*Welcome  
&  
Announcements*



**Scripture Luke 22: 1 – 27**

# **O Sacred Head, Now Wounded #127**

O sacred Head, now wounded,  
with grief and shame weighed down,  
now scornfully surrounded  
with thorns, thine only crown!

O sacred Head, what glory,  
what bliss till now was thine!  
Yet, though despised and gory,  
I joy to call thee mine.

How art thou pale with anguish,  
With sore abuse and scorn;  
How does that visage languish  
Which once was bright as morn!  
Thy grief and bitter passion  
Were all for sinners' gain;  
Mine, mine was the transgression,  
But thine deadly pain.

What language shall I borrow  
to thank thee, dearest Friend,  
for this, thy dying sorrow,  
thy pity without end?

Oh, make me thine forever,  
and should I fainting be,  
Lord, let me never, never  
outlive my love to thee.

Be near when I am dying,  
oh, show thy cross to me,  
and for my rescue, flying,  
come, Lord, and set me free!  
These eyes, new faith receiving,  
from Jesus shall not move,  
for one who dies believing  
dies safely, through thy love.



**Scripture Luke 22: 28 – 46**

**Amazing Grace!**

**How Sweet the Sound #233**

Amazing grace,

How sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost, but now I am found,

Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught  
my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did  
that grace appear  
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers,  
toils and snares  
I have already come,  
'Tis grace has brought  
me safe thus far  
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised  
good to me

His word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be,  
As long as life endures.

# THE SERMON



# **Sacrament of Communion**

## **\*Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty God, you gave us your son who lived purely, believed deeply, adventurer bravely and died for our sins; and yet we shut out his spirit. We hurt people, half believe your gospel, prize security and acceptance over boldly daring to proclaim your love, and seek satisfaction in the realm of possessions rather than in the reign of Christ. We ask forgiveness in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Words of Institution**

**\*Prayer of Consecration**

**Serving of the Sacraments (at the  
Table)**

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**



# Here, O My Lord, I see Thee #220

Here, O my Lord,  
I see thee face to face;  
here would I touch  
and handle things unseen,  
here grasp with firmer  
hand eternal grace,  
and all my weariness upon thee lean.

Here would I feed upon  
the bread of God,  
Here drink with Thee  
the royal wine of Heaven;  
Here would I lay aside  
each earthly load,  
Here taste afresh  
the calm of sin forgiven.

I have no help but thine

nor do I need

another arm save thine to lean upon.

It is enough, O Lord, enough indeed;

my strength is in thy might,

thy might alone.

**Reminder of the Denial &  
Desertion of the Disciples  
Luke 22: 47 – 62**

# **Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley #226**

Jesus walked this lonesome valley

He had to walk it by himself

Oh nobody else could

walk it for Him

He had to walk it by himself

We must walk this  
lonesome valley

We have to walk it by ourselves

Oh nobody else can  
walk it for us

We have to walk it by ourselves

You must go and  
stand your trial

You have to stand it by yourself

Oh nobody else can  
stand it for you

You have to stand it by yourself



*Benediction  
& Blessing*