

Immediately following worship Henderson Firefighter and EMT Randy Tiegs will give us training on using the AED we recently received through MVEC's Operation Round-up. Training is open to all, including our young adults.

It is easy to use, you never know when you may be called upon to be a good Samaritan. Please join the training.

\*\*\* Confirmation students can use this as a service project. \*\*\*



**St Paul's  
UCC**

**Henderson  
MN**

**October  
15th,  
2023**



**Organ Prelude**

**Ringing of  
the Bell**

# **Call to Worship**

One: We wait for God that  
God might save us.

**All: Let us be glad and  
rejoice in God's salvation.**

One: God will swallow up death forever and  
will wipe away the tears from all faces.

**All: Let us be glad and  
rejoice in God's salvation.**

One: God will take away all reproach and will make a feast for the peoples of the earth.

**All: Let us act with compassion so that we may dry tears. Let us walk with justice so that we may silence reproach. Let us make festival with all people so that God's feast may be well-prepared.**

# Invocation

One: Holy Spirit of God, who gathers the church into one body, gather us once again in your presence and strengthen the bonds of affection that hold your people together.

**All: Bless us with grace to cooperate with one another in love and service that we may be the signs of your uniting love to our fractured world.**

**All: Teach us to show compassion for those in need, to face challenges with imagination, and to counter disappointments with prayerful trust. So may your church bring forth your will and your reign. Amen.**

# **We Gather Together #4**

We gather together to ask the

Lord's blessing;

He chastens and hastens

His will to make known;

The wicked oppressing now

cease from distressing.

Sing praises to His name,

He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us,  
our God with us joining,  
Ordaining, maintaining  
His kingdom divine;  
So from the beginning  
the fight we were winning:  
Thou, Lord, wast at our side,  
all glory be Thine.



We all do extol Thee,  
Thou leader triumphant,  
And pray that Thou still  
our defender wilt be.  
Let Thy congregation escape  
tribulation;  
Thy name be ever praised!  
O Lord, make us free!

*Sharing The Peace  
Of Christ*



# *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, Amen.***

## **\*Prayer of Confession**

**Holy One, help us be still and know that you are God. Too often we move at such a hectic pace that we neglect our relationship with you. We do not perceive the world as you do. We look to those with flashy fame, the grand gestures, worldly achievements, and unreachable standards.**

**Our lives become full of distractions that are nothing but shifting sand. Restore and strengthen us, O God, to rebuild our lives on the foundation of your Word, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**\*Words of Assurance**

# Gospel Reading

## Matthew 22:1-14

# Hebrew Scripture Reading

## Exodus 32:1-14

# Sunday School Children Join Us



Message for All Ages



**Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God**

**Almighty! #19 (vs. 1, 2, 4 )**

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall  
rise to Thee;

Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy!

All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns  
around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim,  
Falling down before Thee,  
Which wert and art  
and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All Thy works shall praise Thy  
name, in earth and sky and sea;

Holy, holy, holy!

merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons,

blessed Trinity!



# *The Sermon*

# **Pastoral Prayer - Silent Prayer**

## **The 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



# Cares Chorus

**I cast all of my cares upon you.**

**I lay all of my burdens  
down at your feet.**

**And any time I don't know  
what to do,**

**I will cast all of my cares  
upon you.**

# Invitation Offertory Music

OFFERING  
WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD



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# *Doxology*

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



# **They'll Know We Are Christians**

We are one in the Spirit,

we are one in the Lord,

We are one in the Spirit,

We are one in the Lord,

And we pray that all unity  
may one day be restored:

And they'll know we are  
Christians by our love,  
by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are  
Christians by our love

We will walk with each other,  
We will walk hand in hand,  
We will walk with each other,  
We will walk hand in hand,  
And together we'll spread the  
news that God is in our land:

And they'll know we are  
Christians by our love,  
by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are  
Christians by our love

We will work with each other,

We will work side by side,

We will work with each other,

We will work side by side,

And we'll guard each man's

dignity

And save each man's pride:

And they'll know we are  
Christians by our love,  
by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are  
Christians by our love

All praise to the father,  
From whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus,  
His only son,  
And all praise to the Spirit,  
Who makes us one:

And they'll know we are  
Christians by our love,  
by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are  
Christians by our love





*Benediction  
& Blessing*