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**Chiming of the Hour**

**Meditation**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

(William M. Runyan, 1923)  
arr. Dan Miller

**Welcome and Call to Worship**

Leslie Rosencrans

One: Beloved child of God, you are welcome here....

**Many: We give thanks to God for bringing us into this moment of worship.**

One: For no matter who you are or where you've been you matter to God and to us.

**Many: Our hearts rejoice and give thanks for all those who have come before us and made a place for us to worship, pray, sing, wonder, doubt, believe, and just be.**

One: May the love of God through Christ our Lord convince you of your worth and invitation into this body of believers as we worship together in thanksgiving and hope.

**Choral Summons**

“Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”

Harold W. Friedell

Draw us in the Spirit’s tether, for when humbly in your name,  
Two or three are met together, you are in the midst of them;  
Alleluia, alleluia! Touch we now your garment’s hem.

**Processional Hymn, No. 349**

“To God Be the Glory”

**Responsive Reading of Psalm 130**

Daniel Farris

One: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

**Many: Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!**

One: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

**Many: But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.**

One: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

**Many: My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,  
more than those who watch for the morning.**

One: O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

**All: It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** Daniel Farris

**Old Testament Reading** *Genesis 3:8-15* Vernon Davis

**Epistle Reading** *2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1* Faith Kopplin

**Hymn, No. 461** “Let Us Break Bread Together”

**Gospel Reading** *Mark 3:20-35* Leslie Rosencrans

One: This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Many: Thanks be to God.**

**Prayers of God’s People** Leslie Rosencrans

**Offertory** “La fille aux cheveux de lin” Claude Debussy  
Lesley McAllister, *piano*

*During the offertory, we invite you to prayerfully consider your stewardship of all the resources God is entrusting to you. The work of God at Seventh & James is dependent on the financial generosity and volunteer service of its members and friends. Offering plates are available at the doors of the sanctuary as you leave worship. Join us as you respond to God’s call.*

**Doxology, No. 707**

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.

## Children's Sermon

Leslie Rosencrans

*All children are invited to come forward for the Children's Sermon.  
Preschoolers [ages 4-kindergarten] may then go to Extended Session.*

## Confession

Matt Rosencrans

One: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you...

**Many: In thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

One: We have not loved you with our whole heart;

**Many: We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

One: We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**Many: For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.**

One: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,

**All: Strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.**

— *The Book of Common Prayer*

## Sermon

“Waiting in Hope”  
*(Psalm 130)*

Erin Conaway

## Anthem

“In Remembrance”  
Ava Farris, *flute*

Buyrl Red

In remembrance of me, eat this bread.  
In remembrance of me, drink this wine.  
In remembrance of me, pray for the time  
When God's own will is done.

In remembrance of me, heal the sick.  
In remembrance of me, feed the poor.

In remembrance of me, open the door  
And let your brother in, let him in.

Take, eat, and be comforted; drink, and remember, too,  
That this is my body and precious blood, shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of me, search for truth.  
In remembrance of me, always love.  
In remembrance of me, don't look above,  
But in your heart. Look in your heart for God.  
Do this in remembrance of me.

## **Communion**

*All communion bread is gluten-free.*

*Please come forward to receive Communion from any of the three stations at the front of the sanctuary. You will be served the bread and the cup. A basket is available for your empty cup once you are finished. To ease congestion, please walk down on the right side of your aisle and return up the left side of your aisle. You may come to any of the three stations. Communion will be brought to anyone unable to come forward; please raise your hand as the Minister and Deacon walk back to serve you.*

## **Silent Reflection**

The blessing of God, whose love creates new life and whose fire burns away our impurities, be with you in your journey of life. The blessing of God, whose love has the power to transform our living from old habits into new hope, be with you always. The blessing of God, whose Spirit blesses our spirit with wisdom and vision, embolden you to proclaim the Good News of God's love to all. Amen.

— Vienna Cobb Anderson, *Prayers of Our Hearts*

## **Hymn of Commitment, No. 680**

“I Then Shall Live”

*If you would like to make a public profession of your faith in Christ  
or request membership in this congregation, our ministers  
will greet you at the front of the sanctuary.*

## **Congregational Response**

In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for you in this place; we offer you our love, our care, our kinship, and our hopes; we hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you, by God's grace. Amen.

## **Pastoral Blessing**

Erin Conaway

## **Choral Response**

“Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”

Harold W. Friedell

All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of you,  
That by caring, helping, giving, we may be disciples true.  
Alleluia, alleluia! We will serve with faith anew.

## **Postlude**

“To God Be the Glory”

(William H. Doane)  
setting by Lloyd Larson

## **Today at Seventh**

**On Communion Sundays**, the Benevolence offering is received at the doors to help our neighbors in need.

**Our Pianist today** is Lesley McAllister.

**The Sanctuary Flowers** are given in memory of Jon Lindsey & Gayland Sims who shared and celebrated their birthdays together on June 9.

Hearing devices are available at the sound booth for any who need assistance.

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