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Congregation is invited to light their candle as a sign of God's presence with us as we begin worship.

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, + and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Gathered in the presence of God and one another, let us confess our sin.

### *Silence for reflection*

Gracious Father,

you sent your Son to die and rise again so that death might be conquered, and so that we might live a new life in Christ. Yet, we confess that we too often have chosen to remain captive to sin, to doubt, to fear, and to brokenness that only leads to death. By our thoughts, words, and actions, we have scorned your love, diminished the lives of others, and marred your image within us. Father, we need a resurrection. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may rise up to live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

People of God, hear the Good News! Christ is risen! In his death and resurrection, you have been offered a *new* beginning as the old things die and you are made new. In the name of Jesus Christ, + your sin is forgiven, and death no longer holds power over you. Go, and live as a resurrected child of God.

Amen! Alleluia!

GATHERING SONG — You Are My King

Chorus: I'm forgiven because You were forsaken. I'm accepted; You were condemned. I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again.

Verse: Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King would die for me? Amazing love, I know it's true; it's my joy to honor You.

Repeat Chorus:

Bridge: You are my King. You are my King. Jesus, You are my King. Jesus, You are

my King.

Repeat Chorus:

### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

### Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, we give you thanks for your death and resurrection, giving us, and all creation, a breath of new life. You are our King, and we give you our praise. Return us again to dwell with you in pureness of heart, and let your face shine upon us in love, that we might grow more and more into your image. We pray this in the name of the one who gave his life for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and our Lord. Amen.

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PSALM: PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16

<sup>1</sup>In you, O LORD, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me. <sup>2</sup>Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily. Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me. <sup>3</sup>You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name's sake lead me and guide me, <sup>4</sup>take me out of the net that is hidden for me, for you are my refuge. <sup>5</sup>Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

My times are in your hand;
 deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.
 Let your face shine upon your servant;
 save me in your steadfast love.

Reading: John 14:1-14

Jesus said to the disciples: <sup>1</sup>"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to the place where I am

going." <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

<sup>8</sup>Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." <sup>9</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup>Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

#### REFLECTION

## Prayers of Intercession

Response to "Lord in your mercy" is "hear our prayer." If you would like to add a prayer petition, email it to Pastor Aleese at <u>pastoraleesebaldwin@gmail.com</u>



#### GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

# COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

You are encouraged to share bread/crackers and wine/grape juice with those in your household, saying "The body of Christ, given for you," and "the blood of Christ, shed for you." If you are by yourself, hear the words proclaimed by Pastor Aleese as words spoken for you. All are welcome to share in God's feast that makes us one.



### BLESSING

May the blessing of the one who brought forth Jesus from the dead, raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing.

Almighty God, the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen!

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all!

And also with you!

All are invited to share the sign of the peace with those in their homes or via text/phone call/virtually with others in the congregation!