



# **GATHER**

# **PRELUDE**



## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

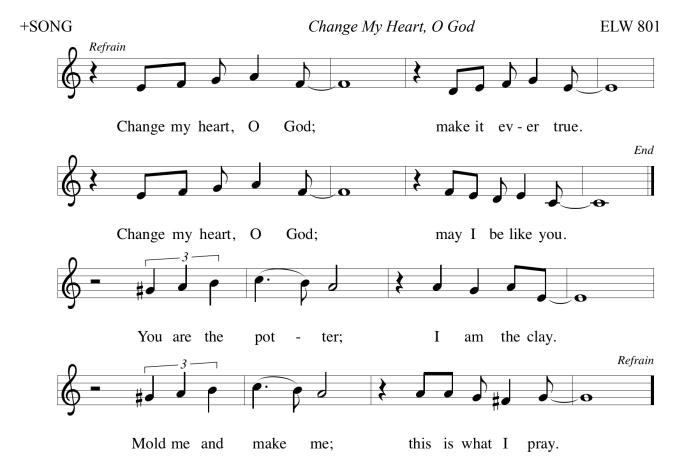
## +CONFESSION

ONE: In the name of the Father, and of the # Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**MANY: AMEN** 

ONE: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**MANY: AMEN** 



ONE: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *silence* 

# Gracious God,

MANY: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. AMEN

#### +FORGIVENESS

ONE: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the  $\pm$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**MANY: AMEN** 

+SONG

Change My Heart, O God

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## +PRAYER OF THE DAY

ONE: Let us pray. God of hope, bless our worship this day and open our ears as you opened the ears of your prophet Jeremiah. Remind us that in you we have always been known, and we will always be known.

MANY: Help us to answer when we hear your call, for we are your people, forever saved by your covenant with us. AMEN

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 1:1-10

The words of Jeremiah son of Hilkiah, of the priests who were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, 2to whom the word of the Lord came in the days of King Josiah son of Amon of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign. 3It came also in the days of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, and until the end of the eleventh year of King Zedekiah son of Josiah of Judah, until the captivity of Jerusalem in the fifth month.

4Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,

5"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,

and before you were born I consecrated you;

I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

6Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." 7 But the Lord said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';

for you shall go to all to whom I send you,

and you shall speak whatever I command you,

8Do not be afraid of them,

for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord."

9 Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth.

10 See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,

to pluck up and to pull down,

to destroy and to overthrow,

to build and to plant."

ONE: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word, **MANY: Thanks be to God!** 

SERMON Rev. Kjell M. Ferris

+HYMN OF THE DAY We Are Called ELW 720

1) Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord! We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.

*Refrain:* We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly; we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.

- 2) Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear! We are called to be hope for the hopeless so hatred and blindness ...will be... no more. *Refrain*
- 3) Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love. *Refrain*

#### +APOSTLES' CREED

ONE: With the whole church, let us confess our faith in the God of Jeremiah.

MANY: I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day Christ rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. AMEN

#### +PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ONE: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

silence

ONE: Abundant God, you made us coworkers in your creation. Give us wisdom and reverence to use the resources of nature so that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: Hear our prayer.

ONE: Draw your church together, O God of mission, into one great company of disciples, together following our teacher Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving in Christ's mission to the world, and together witnessing to your love wherever you are sending us. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: Hear our prayer.

ONE: God of justice, you have declared what is right: to seek justice, to love kindness and to walk humbly with you. Bless judges and courts, juries and law officers throughout the world. Guard them from retribution and from corruption. Give them the spirit of wisdom, that they may perceive the truth and administer the law impartially as instruments of your will. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: Hear our prayer.

ONE: God of mercy, we call to mind before you all whom it is easy to forget: those who are homeless, destitute, sick, isolated and all who have no one to care for them. May we bring help and healing to those who are broken in body, mind or spirit, so that they may have comfort in sorrow, company in loneliness and a place of safety. We name, aloud and silently, those we know in need of our prayers ...Bob Tauring....

ONE: Into your hands, gracious God, we common all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Chris, our Savior.

**MANY: AMEN** 

#### +SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you always.

MANY: And also with you.

ONE: Let us share a sign of God's peace with one another.

**OFFERING** 

#### +OFFERTORY PRAYER

ONE: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; let the love of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ shine through us now and always.

**MANY: AMEN** 

# +PRAYER JESUS TAUGHT US

ONE: Let us pray together the prayer of our Savior:

MANY: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. AMEN

# **SEND**

+BENEDICTION Jeremiah 29

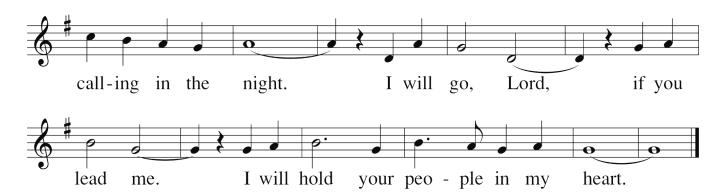
ONE: We hear the words of Jeremiah:

11For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. 12Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. 13When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, 14I will let you find me, says the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations.

ONE: Holy wisdom, Holy word.

**MANY: Thanks be to God!** 





## +DISMISSAL

ONE: Go in peace, serve the Lord. **MANY: Thanks be to God!** 

#### **POSTLUDE**

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