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September 12 2021

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Prelude

Andy Glynn

### Choral Introit #767

*"Together We Serve", Verses 1, 2 and 3*

### Welcome and Announcements

### Call To Worship

### Invocation

### Hymn #51

*"To Abraham and Sarah", Verses 1, 2 & 3*

### Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

Creator God, out of chaos your Spirit has demonstrated your power by bringing forth order and life. Out of darkness you have brought light. From the basic elements of the earth you have empowered productivity to sustain and celebrate life. We confess before you that we have not used those gifts as you would want us to. We have defied your trust and sought to build our own structures of stability and comfort.

Forgive our inability to recognize you and live out the reality of your gospel. Give us the insight we need to understand your place in our lives so that our words and actions reflect the glory of God in the lives of others.

### Time of Silence for Personal Prayers of Confession

### Assurance of Pardon

### Gloria

### Prayer for Illumination

### 1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Reading

Matthew 16:13-20

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build



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my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Reading**    Genesis 1:1-19

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.



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### Sermon

*"Order from Chaos"*

Pastor Brant Piper

### Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Communion Hymn

*"As We Gather at Your Table"* Verses 1 & 2

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Words of Blessing for the Bread and the Cup

***You are invited to partake of the elements as instructed by the pastor.***

***First the bread by removing the top layer of plastic,***

***And then, following the Words of Institution around the cup,***

***by removing the next layer of foil.***

***Please dispose of each properly when you leave the service.***

### Prayer after Communion

**Unison: Redeeming God, unite us in Christ and to all who join us at this table that we might be the body of Christ for the world. Unite us with all of your children from every tribe, people, language, and nation to reveal your justice in the world. Crown us with your holy wisdom that we may never lose sight of your reign of peace. All this we ask in the name of the one who offered himself up that we might know of your gift of salvation, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

### Call to Offering

### Prayer of Dedication

### Doxology

### Hymn #295

*"Go To the World", Verses 1, 2 & 4*

### Charge and Benediction

### Postlude



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# Together We Serve

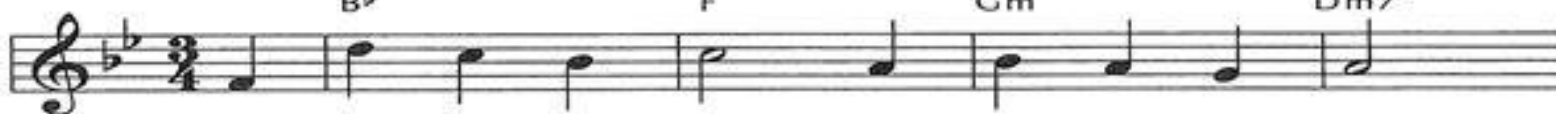
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1 To - geth - er we serve, u - nit - ed by love,  
2 We seek to be - come a bea - con of hope,  
3 We wel - come the scarred, the wealth - y, the poor,

(C)  
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(Am7)  
Cm7

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in - vit - ing God's world to the glo - ri - ous feast.  
a lamp for the heart and a light for the feet.  
the bus - y, the lone - ly, and all who need care.

(G)  
B $\flat$

(D)  
F

(C)  
E $\flat$

(Bm)  
Dm



We work and we pray through sor - row and joy,  
We learn, year by year, to let love shine through  
We of - fer a home to those who will come,

(G)  
B $\flat$

(C)  
E $\flat$

(G)  
B $\flat$

(Am)  
Cm

(D7)  
F7

(G)  
B $\flat$



ex - tend - ing God's love to the last and the least.  
un - til we see Christ in each per - son we meet.  
our hands quick to help, our hearts read - y to dare.

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To Abraham and Sarah  
I Will Be Your God

1 To A - bra - ham and Sa - rah the call of God was clear:  
2 From A - bra - ham and Sa - rah a - rose a pil - grim race,  
3 We of this gen - er - a - tion on whom God's hand is laid

"Go forth and I will show you a coun - try rich and fair.  
de - pen - dent for their jour - ney on God's a - bun - dant grace;  
can jour - ney to the fu - ture se - cure and un - a - fraid,

You need not fear the jour - ney, for I have pledged my word  
and in their heart was writ - ten by God this sav - ing word,  
re - joic - ing in God's good - ness and trust - ing in this word,

that you shall be my peo - ple and I will be your God."  
"That you shall be my peo - ple and I will be your God."  
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### As We Gather at Your Table

Matt. 22:1-10; Luke 14:16-24

Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1989

1 As we gath - er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,  
2 Turn our wor - ship in - to wit - ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;  
3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum - mon oth - er guests to share that feast

help us know, O God, your pres - ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
send us forth to love and serve you, bring - ing peace where there is strife.  
where tri - um - phant Love will wel - come those who had been last and least.

Nour - ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;  
Give us, Christ, your great com - pas - sion to for - give as you for - gave;  
There no more will en - vy bind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,

teach us through this ho - ly ban - quet how to make Love's vic - tory known.  
may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.  
as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

*In this hymn, commissioned by an Episcopal parish in Virginia for the celebration of its tricentennial, Carl P. Daw, Jr., utilized a familiar phrase from Isaac Watts' "Joy to the World," which was the motto for the celebration: "Repeat the sounding joy."*

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# Go to the World!

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1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.  
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - ery place.

4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,  
Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,  
Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.  
for I am with you till the age shall end,  
bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.  
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.  
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"  
Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Based on Christ's great commission (Matthew 28:19-20), this text was written for a Convocation of Emmanuel College in Toronto, the largest theological school of the United Church of Canada, a denomination formed by the union of Methodists, Congregationalists, and Presbyterians.

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