Prelude

Greetings

Call to Worship-Psalm 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

People: Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

Leader: Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

Leader: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you have called us to serve you, yet without your grace we are unable to please you. Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

Hymn

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies (vs. 1, 2, 3) No. 462

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of grace, love, and communion, we confess that we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We ignore your commandments, stray from your way and follow other gods. Have mercy on us. Forgive our sin and raise us to new life that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Thanksgiving

Gloria Patri No. 579

First Reading

Romans 5:1-8

CE Volunteer Recognition (pre-recorded) Geri Doll & Liz Norris
Second Reading  
Matthew 9:35-10:8

Sermon:  
“Compassion for the Harassed and Helpless”  
Dr. Rev. Brent O. Johnston

Affirmation of Faith  
Excerpt from *Confession of 1967*  
The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His life involves the church in the common life of humanity. His service to humanity commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all the sufferings of humankind so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of men and women in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on humanity's inhumanity and the awful consequences of its own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So, to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Call to Stewardship

Offertory  
*I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes Unto the Hills*  
Marilyn Heffner, Alto  
arr. James MacDermid

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,  
from whence cometh, whence cometh my help.  
My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.  
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved:  
He that keepeth thee will not slumber.  
He that keepeth Israel neither shall sleep.  
The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.  
The Lord shall preserve thy going out.  
The Lord shall preserve thy coming in  
from this time forth, and ev'n for ever more.  
I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills,  
from whence cometh, whence cometh my help.  
My help cometh from the Lord, He shall preserve thy soul.

Doxology  
No. 592

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn  
*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* (vs. 1, 2, 3, 4)  
No. 466
Charge and Benediction

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Postlude

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Paul Manz

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