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**Meeting Time**  
Sunday at 10:30 Worship

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Welcome and Announcement

Anthem

Piano/Organ, Don Adkins

Opening Prayer (Unison)

*Eternal God, you are our Rock, you are the firm foundation for everything we build. You give gifts to your people for the good of the church. You equip and train your people to carry out the good works you have prepared for us in advance. As we meet today, we ask that you would provide wisdom, guidance and direction. Remind us that you are our loving ally, you are our fortress, you are our tower of strength and you are our rescuer. Everything we need is found in you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.*

\*Hymn 36

*“For the Fruit of All Creation”*

*For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.  
For the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.*

*For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while  
we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safekeeping,  
thanks be to God.*

*In the just reward of labor, God's will be done.  
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will be done.*

*In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,  
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will be done.*

*For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.  
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.*

*For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still  
confound us, most of all that love has found us,  
thanks be to God.*

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

*Merciful God, we confess that we have failed to love you most of all. We have failed to fully be your church in this time and place. We have sinned against you and each another by things we have done and things we have left undone. We have not loved our neighbors because we have failed to see the Christ in others. Forgive us, we pray. Free us to walk in the light of your grace, and in full obedience to your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
(Silent confession) Amen.*

Assurance of Grace (Responsive)

Hear the good news: Despite our brokenness, Christ died for us that we might have life. That proves God's gracious love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!  
*In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
Glory to God! Amen*

Prayers of the People

*“Come and Fill”*

\*Hymn 526

*“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”*

*Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy:  
bread is broken; the wine is poured; Christ is spoken and seen and heard.*

**Refrain:**

*Jesus lives again; earth can breathe again;  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!*

**Refrain**

*Christ is able to make us one; at the table he sets the tone,  
teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express.*

**Refrain**

**Refrain**

*Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God [Immanuel] everywhere!*

**Refrain**

**Refrain**

Prayer of Illumination (Unison)

(Jenny Child, Celtic Prayers, 2008)

*Lord God, refresh us with living water,  
illuminate our path with your light,  
speak to us with the still small voice  
and calm the storms of our lives with your peace. Amen.*

First Lesson:

Galatians 6:7-16

<sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup> If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. <sup>9</sup> So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup> So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those of the family of faith.

<sup>11</sup> See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! <sup>12</sup> It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup> Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. <sup>14</sup> May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. <sup>15</sup> For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything, but a new creation is everything! <sup>16</sup> As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Second Lesson:

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

<sup>10</sup> After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup> He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup> Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup> Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup> Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ <sup>6</sup> And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup> Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move

about from house to house. <sup>8</sup> Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup> cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you. <sup>10</sup> But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup> ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.

<sup>16</sup> “Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

<sup>17</sup> The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” <sup>18</sup> He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup> Indeed, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup> Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

## Sermon

“Empowered Discipleship”

Rev. Anne McAnelly

## Offering

Doxology

Offering Prayer (*Unison*)

***O Lord, our God, you have called us into the bountiful fields of this world, may we go and fulfill your harvest. O Lord, our God, you have established us as strong mountains, may we stand for your glory and justice in this world. O Lord, my God, you have given us so much; please accept these our responses with our gratitude. Amen.***

## Communion (Responsive)

The Lord be with you.

***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts.

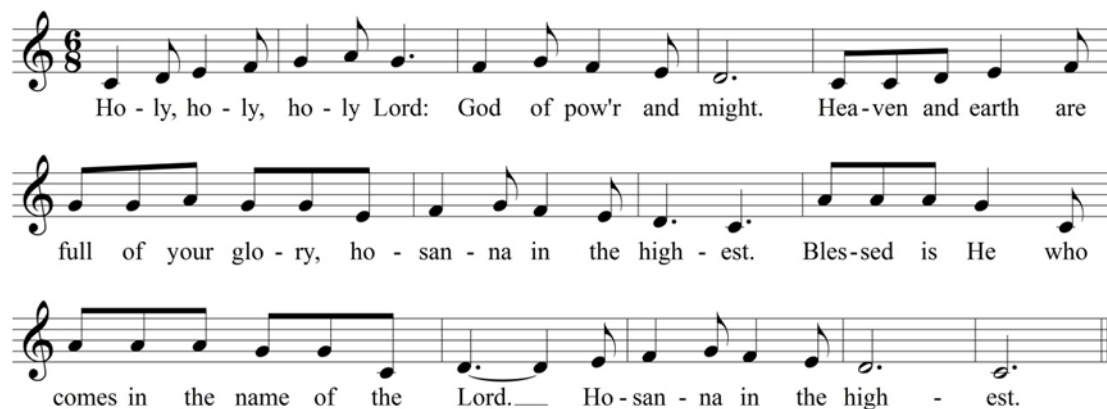
***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***It is right for us to give thanks and praise.***

## Sanctus

Don Adkins



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord: God of pow'r and might. Hea-ven and earth are  
full of your glo - ry, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles-sed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

...And so we remember again as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

***Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.***

*Called as partners in Christ’s service, called to ministries of grace,  
we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace.*

*May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend,  
equal partners in our caring to fulfill God’s chosen end.*

*Christ’s example, Christ’s inspiring, Christ’s clear call to work  
and worth, let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth.*

*Men and women, richer, poorer, all God’s people, young and old,  
blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.*

*Thus new patterns for Christ’s mission, in a small or global sense,  
help us bear each other’s burdens, breaking down each wall or fence.*

*Words of comfort, words of vision, words of challenge, said with care,  
bring new power and strength for action, make us colleagues, free and fair.*

*So God grant us for tomorrow ways to order human life that surround each  
person’s sorrow with a calm that conquers strife.*

*Make us partners in our living, our compassion to increase,  
messengers of faith, thus giving hope and confidence and peace.*

Benediction