### MORNING WORSHIP

PRELUDE: "Fanfare on ST. THOMAS" arr. Aaron Williams

**WELCOME & GREETING** 

\* CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: Love the Lord your God,

All: with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength,

and with all your mind!

One: Love your neighbor as yourself,

All: with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength,

and with all your mind!

One: Do this and you will live!

All: Let us worship the Lord our God!

\* HYMN #305 "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!" DARWALL'S 148TH

#### \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we are your sons and daughters, descendants of the God most high, yet we do not behave to honor you, and our actions belittle the love you have for us. We do not defend the weak or those without fathers or mothers. We do not uphold the poor or the oppressed. We do not commit to efforts to rescue the weak and the needy; we sometimes deliver them into solitude and neglect. Rise up to judge us, O God. We prefer your merciful justice, rather than living with guilt and fear. Straighten our path, so that we can be guided as a mother or a father guides beloved children. Amen.

- \* SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION
- \* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The triune God's unconditional love does not seek appearances or

conditions, but loves in such a way that we are restored to health and to

wholeness.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

\* GLORIA #581: "Glory Be to the Father" GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**Congregation: The Lord be with You.** Children: And also with you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON: "Your Kingdom Come" Rev. Frank Mansell III

\* HYMN "O Christ, the Healer" O WALY WALY

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\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Romans 8

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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.

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY: "Adante' from Symphony No. 5" by Felix Mendelssohn
\*HYMN #607 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Old Hundredth
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\* HYMN #450 "Be Thou My Vision" SLANE

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "Improvisation" Davis

\* Please stand as you are able

Welcome to Western Boulevard – We are glad that you are here! We hope you find in this service an encounter with the living, loving God. If you have any questions about what's happening here, please feel free to talk to our pastor or a member who is wearing a nametag. Please take a minute and sign the fellowship pads which are located on the center aisle of each pew.

<u>Covid Protocols:</u> Masks are now optional while you are inside the sanctuary or education building. If you prefer to continue wearing a mask while indoors, please feel free to do so. If our community transmission reaches the "high" level according to the CDC metrics (<u>www.cdc.gov</u>), then we will return to requiring masks indoors.

<u>Nursery:</u> The nursery is open for young children from 10:15-11:30am in the Education Building.

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## Worship Notes

Pastor: Rev. Frank Mansell III Organist: Dr. Elizabeth Davis Liturgist: Millie Shyllon Technical: Suzanne Smith



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