

## Welcome and Announcement

### Opening Prayer

Leader: We are here this morning, aware that the needs of our community continue, whether because of the storm or otherwise. And yet we are also reminded that God's presence is always with us, as we sing...

### Join us in singing when instructed

O, the glory of Your Presence,  
We your temple give you reverence,  
Come and rise to Your rest and be blest by our praise  
As we glory In Your embrace  
As Your Presence now fills this place

Leader: God, we come to worship you this morning...

**Congregation: O the glory of Your presence!**

Leader: We long for comfort this morning. In Your arms, our distress subsides.

**Congregation: O the glory of Your presence!**

Leader: As a mother comforts her child, You, O God, comfort us...

**Congregation: O the glory of Your presence!**

Leader: It is good to be together, God, virtually on various electronic screens, here in this sanctuary, united by Your presences.

**Congregation: O the glory of Your presence!**

Leader: God of all, we have gathered virtually and in person to worship You. Fill us with Your presence, give us strength for the journey, compassion for the hurting and love for all humankind. Amen.

### Opening Song

"Gather Us In"

See next page for lyrics

### Reprise

### Scripture Reading

Matthew 9:14-17

See next page for reading

### Gathering Song

"I Must Tell Jesus"

See next page for lyrics

### Sermon

"Being New Wineskins"

Rev. Rick Rhen-Sosbe

### Song of Reflection

## Prayers of the People

(Join us in signing when instructed)

**God, listen to Your children praying, God, send Your spirit in this place;  
God, listen to Your children praying,  
Send us love, send us power, send us grace!**

### Lord's Prayer

### Offering /Offertory

### Doxology

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!  
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### Communion

The Great Thanksgiving  
The Holy One be with you  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them up to our God.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

May we never take this Holy Communion, or this community for granted, as we sing,

Taste and see, taste and see  
The goodness of our God  
Taste and see, taste and see  
The goodness of our God!

And so...

**This morning, with faith and hope as your people, we proclaim together that,**

**Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again!**

*Taste and see, taste and see  
The goodness of our God  
Taste and see, taste and see  
The goodness of our God!*

### Closing Song

**"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"**  
See next page for lyrics

### Benediction

## Lyrics

### “Gather Us In”

Here In This Place, The New Light Is Streaming, Shadows Of Doubt Are Vanished Away.  
See In This Space Our Fears And Our Dreamings,  
Brought Here To You IN The Light Of This Day.

Gather Us In, The Lost And Forsaken; Gather Us In; Our Spirits Inflame.  
Call To Us Now, And We Shall Awaken; We Shall Arise At The Sound Of Our Name.

We Are The Young—Our Lives Are A Mystery; We Are The Old, Who Yearn For Your Face.  
We Have Been Sung Throughout All Of History. Called To Be Light To The Whole Human  
Race.

Gather Us In—The Rich And The Haughty; Gather Us In—The Proud And The Strong;  
Give Us A Heart So Meek And So Lowly; Give Us The Courage To Enter The Song.

### “I Must Tell Jesus”

I Must Tell Jesus All Of My Trials, I Cannot Bear These Burdens Alone;  
In My Distress You Kindly Will Help Me, You Ever Love And Care For Your Own.

I Must Tell Jesus! I Must Tell Jesus! I Cannot Bear My Burdens Alone;  
I Must Tell Jesus! I Must Tell Jesus! Jesus Can Help Me, Jesus Alone.

I Must Tell Jesus All Of My Troubles, You Are A Kind, Compassionate Friend;  
If I But Ask You, You Will Deliver, Make Of My Troubles Quickly An End.

I Must Tell Jesus! I Must Tell Jesus! I Cannot Bear My Burdens Alone;  
I Must Tell Jesus! I Must Tell Jesus! Jesus Can Help Me, Jesus Alone.

Tempted And Tried, I Need A Great Savior, One Who Can Help My Burdens To Bear;  
I Must Tell Jesus, I Must Tell Jesus, You All My Cares And Sorrows Will Share.

I Must Tell Jesus! I Must Tell Jesus! I Cannot Bear My Burdens Alone;  
I Must Tell Jesus! I Must Tell Jesus! Jesus Can Help Me, Jesus Alone.

### “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending, From Your Rich And Endless Store,  
Nature's Wonder, Jesus' Wisdom, Costly Cross, Grave's Shattered Door:  
Gifted By You, We Turn To You Offering Up Ourselves In Praise;  
Thankful Song Shall Rise Forever, Gracious Donor Of Our Days.

Skills And Time Are Ours For Serving, That Your Will On Earth Be Done:  
All At Peace In Health And Freedom, Races Joined, The Church Made One.  
Now Direct Our Daily Labor, Lest We Strive For Self Alone;  
Born With Talents, Make Us Servants Fit To Answer At Your Throne.

Treasure, Too, You Have Entrusted, Gain Through Powers Your Grace Conferred;  
Ours To Use For Home And Kindred, And To Spread The Gospel Word.  
Open Wide Our Hands In Sharing As We Heed Christ's Ageless Call,  
Healing, Teaching, And Reclaiming, Honoring You By Loving All.

## Scripture Reading

Then John's disciples came and asked Jesus, “How is it that we and the Pharisees fast often, but your disciples do not fast?”

Jesus answered, “How can the guests of the bridegroom mourn while he is with them? The time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; then they will fast.

“No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch will pull away from the garment, making the tear worse. Neither do people pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst; the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved.”

**Lector: The Gospel of Jesus Christ!**

***RESPONSE: Thanks be to God.***