

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 8, 2021 @ 8:30am

THEME: Jesus is portrayed as pioneer, brother, and liberator in today's text. We are liberated from slavery to fear and death, so we can more fully embrace life.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God whose love is pouring over us, welcomes us here today.

Praise be to God!

God whose healing power is ready to bind up our wounds, welcomes us here today.

Praise be to God!

God whose transforming presence offers us hope and peace, welcomes us here today.

Praise be to God who loves, heals and restores us. Amen

*GATHERING SONG

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

**Come, now is the time to worship Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship Come, just as you are before your God Come**

**One day every tongue will confess You are God One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains for those Who gladly choose You now**

**Come, now is the time to worship Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship Come, just as you are before your God Come**

**One day every tongue will confess You are God One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains for those Who gladly choose You now**

**Willingly we choose to surrender our lives Willingly our knees will bow
With all our heart, soul, mind and strength We gladly choose You now**

**Come, now is the time to worship Come, now is the time to give your heart
Come, just as you are to worship Oh come, just as you are before your God
Come, come, come, oh come**

*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: Patient God, we want to have things go well and all too often we stand in the way of peace and hope. We want to overcome the barriers which prevent us from

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

On Eagle's Wings

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You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in this shadow for life, say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear; under God's wings your refuge, with faithfulness your shield. *Refrain*

You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day; though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come. *Refrain*

For to the angels God's given a command to guard you in all of your ways; upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Final refrain

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand; and hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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