



*You are invited to stand as you are able.

PRELUDE *A Reverie* Gilbert M. Martin

INTROIT *Communion Prayer* Allen Pote

WELCOME & RESPONSE *Come to the Table of Grace*

Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of grace.

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsively)

We know that there is a place for us at this table.

Our hearts are filled with gratitude!

We notice that there is a place for those not like us.

We come ready to open our hearts beyond their current size.

We humbly take our seat.

We look into each face and know the presence of Jesus!

***HYMN NO. 507** (v. 1 & 2) *I Come With Joy* Dove of Peace

I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free;

in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

[Open both palms upward in the sign language for "give"]

We thank you, Creator God, that you formed every one of us—giving us your image—the desire for relationship. Forgive us for the ways we have marred that image.

Restore us by your grace.

[Place your hands together in the sign meaning "to be with."]

We thank you, Sustainer God, that you are here with us and call us to be with one and for one another. Forgive us for the barriers that we try to erect. Break them down by your grace.

(Bring your hands close to your face, in the sign for "prayer." & feel your breath on your hands)

We thank you, God, for breathing into us the breath of life. Even when we have turned away, you have remained with us, close as breath. Help us to remain close with one another, offering the breath of life wherever we can.

THE PEACE (responsively)

As God in Christ came to forgive and welcome us, we now forgive and welcome one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Please greet each other with the Peace)

TIME FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *As We Gather At Your Table*

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,

Help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.

Nourish us with sacred story 'til we claim it as our own;

Teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's victory known.

ANTHEM *All Things Bright and Beautiful* John Rutter

SCRIPTURE Romans 12: 9-21 and Matthew 16: 24-25 (Message Translation)

SERMON "More than Friends"

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation Come to the Table of Grace

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Great Thanksgiving

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 to give God thanks and praise.

Responses Come to the Table of Love & Come to the Table of Joy

Come to the table of love/joy. Come to the table of love/joy.

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The Lord's Prayer

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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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

[Please come forward, take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and return to your seat.

For those who prefer communion may be brought to your pew.

Those worshipping remotely are invited to join as they are ready.]

Prayer of Thanks for the Meal

***HYMN 507** (v. 3-5)

I Come with Joy

Dove of Peace

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends;
the love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends.

And thus with joy we meet our Lord; his presence, always near,
is in such friendship better known: we see and praise him here.

Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways;
and as his people in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

***BENEDICTION/RESPONSE**

A Child's Prayer

***POSTLUDE**

Echo Fanfare

Gilbert M. Martin

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Kim Skilling - Pastor

Dr. David Hughes - Music Director

Carol Hughes - Organist/Pianist

Chris Coleman, Director - Anaheim Readers Theater

Rick Conner & Carolee Ramich - Soloists

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