



*The Burning Bush by Robert Hodgell
Linocut print, 1960s, The Westminster Collection*

Service of Word and Sacrament
Stewardship Kaleidoscope
September 25, 2023
Westminster Presbyterian Church, Minneapolis

Prelude

Joe Trucano, organ

Welcome

Rev. Cader Howard

*Call to Worship

One: The work of God surrounds us:

All: We respond with praise.

The love of God is visible:

We respond with joy.

The wind of the Spirit is moving:

We respond in hope.

O God, how marvelous are your works;

In wisdom you made them all.

Let us worship God!

*Processional Hymn No. 409 *God Is Here!*

Confession & Assurance

Rev. Alexandra Jacob

One: God's grace is from everlasting to everlasting;
All: Even when we fall short, God is faithful to forgive.

One: Let us confess.
God, you call us to steward your good creation,
protecting the earth and its resources.
All: When we would rather be mindless consumers, forgive us.

One: God, you call us to lives of abundance,
sharing generously of ourselves and our resources.
All: When we would rather hold onto what we have, forgive us.

One: God, you call us to lives of justice and peace,
struggling together with our neighbors, that all might flourish.
All: When we would rather maintain the status quo, forgive us.
We continue our confession in the silence of our own hearts.
Siblings, hear and receive this good news:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven; Alleluia! Amen.

*Sung Response No. 582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

Prayer for Illumination

Kelsey Crouch-Dodson

Readings from Holy Scripture

Exodus 2:23-3:6
Mark 5:21-43

Sermon *Paying Attention*

Rev. Margaret Fox

*Hymn No. 692 *Spirit, Open My Heart*

Offering

Rev. Gilo Agwa

*Today's offering will benefit Foundation of Life (African National Ministry).
Launched in 2017, this is a joint ministry of the St. Paul Area Synod of the ELCA and
the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area of the PC(USA). Foundation of Life is led by
Rev. Gilo Gora Agwa and was founded as a leadership development and outreach
ministry for the Anuak community in Minnesota.*



Offertory

Rev. Bill Davis, cello

Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of 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.

...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. Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever; Amen.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Closing Prayer

*Closing Hymn No. 716 *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude