

wholeness, hope, harmony, joy, wonder, well-being, peace. God alone does this, and we give ourselves to God alone.

**ALL: All: Let us gather our gifts with grateful praise, and offer them to God's purposes.**

**RECEIVING OUR OFFERINGS**

**MUSICAL OFFERING** "Take It to the Lord in Prayer"

*Joel Raney*

✘ **DOXOLOGY**

OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit ever more;  
One God of grace, whom we adore! Amen.**

✘ **UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**God of healing love, to you we dedicate all that we are, all that we have, and all that we give. Pour out your blessing on us and on these gifts, that they may carry your hope and your grace to your people. Charge us with your Spirit, so we can sing your praise with grateful hearts. We ask it all in Jesus' name: Amen!**

✘ **HYMN #772**

"Live into Hope"

TRURO

**BENEDICTION and SUNG AMEN** (Hymnal, #599)

**POSTLUDE**

"In Thee Is Gladness"

*J.S. Bach*



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**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**

"O Thou of God the Father"

*J.S. Bach*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS | JOYS AND CONCERNS | SILENT PRAYER**

**INTROIT**

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

*Ken Medema*



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing: Lord, send your Spir-it in this place.



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing: send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

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**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**ONE:** Shout with joy to God, all the earth;

**MANY: Sing of God, who is Magnificence.**

Give God glorious acclamation.

**Say to God, "How awesome are Your deeds!"**

All earth sings praises to You,

**Sing praises to Your renown. Alleluia!**

✘ **HYMN #703**

"Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"

ST. CATHERINE

✘ *The congregation may rise, in body or in spirit*

## A LITANY OF CONFESSION AND HOPE

ONE: Love me from the inside out, God. Take the thoughts I hide deep inside and burn them with your purifying fire.

**MANY: Love me from the inside out, God.**

Take the roots of my mistrust, and deaden their hold on my life:

**Love me from the inside out, God.**

Take the thoughts that run freely in my mind, and trap them in your grace:

**Love me from the inside out, God.**

Take the hope you have planted in me and nourish it, with the support of the church:

**Love me from the inside out, God.**

Take the gift of the Spirit living in me and ignite your passion to lead me in your service:

**Love me from the inside out, God.**

Take your power in me and let it infuse my whole being:

**Love me from the inside out, God.**

*(We pray in silence.)*

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE

✠ GLORIA

GREATOREX

**Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen; Amen.**

## WE PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL IN WORD

### A THOUGHT FOR YOUNG MINDS

### THE LORD'S PRAYER *(debts)*

✠ HYMN 796

"We Come to You for Healing, Lord"

LAND OF REST

Children (PreK–8<sup>th</sup> grade) attending Church School may leave as we sing the hymn.

### RESPONSIVE PSALTER: Psalm 66:1-12

**ONE:** Shout with joy to God, all the earth;

**PEOPLE:** Sing of God Who is Magnificence.

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Give to God glorious acclamation.

**Say to God, "How awesome are Your deeds!"**

Because of Your great power, the forces of repression cringe before You.

**All the earth worships You;**

They sing praises to You,

**Sing praises to Your renown.**

Come and see what God has done:

**Awesome deeds among the human race.**

The Most High turned the sea into dry land,

So the people passed through the river on foot.

**There we rejoiced in God our Liberator,**

**Who rules in power forever,**

Whose eyes keep watch on the nations—

**And do not let the oppressors overcome us.**

Bless our God, O peoples,

**Let the sound of the Holy One's honor be heard,**

Who has kept us alive,

**And has kept our feet from stumbling.**

You have tested our commitment, O God; Refining us by fire, as silver is refined.

**We were brought into captivity;**

Burdens were laid on our backs;

**People rode over our heads;**

We went through fire and through water;

**Yet You have brought us out to a place of abundance. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL READING:** Luke 17:11-19

*New Testament, p.*

**SERMON**

"God's Odds"

John A. Nelson

## WE RESPOND IN PRAYER AND FAITH

**PASTORAL PRAYER | SILENT PRAYER**

**OFFERTORY**

ONE: God is healing us from the inside out. There are powers in us and around us we have only begun to know and God is moving, around us and within us, to bring

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