

# Underwood Lutheran Church

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Welcome/Greeting

**Opening Song: O Day of Rest and Gladness #251 Green Hymnal**

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

P: We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

**C: Amen**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness

(Pause for silent reflection)

Most merciful God...

**C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us, and for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

L: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

Responsive Reading From Psalm 98:1-9

L: Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done marvelous things

**C: Whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory**

L: O Lord, you have made known your victory

**C: You have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations**

L: You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel

**C: All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God**

L: Shout with joy to the Lord all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice and sing

**C: Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song**

L: With trumpets and the sound of the horn, shout with joy before the Lord

**C: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it, the world and those who dwell therein**

L: Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, who comes to judge the earth

**C: The Lord will judge the world with righteousness and the people with equity**

Prayer of the Day:

L: Let us pray

**C: O God, for those that love you, you have prepared joys beyond understanding. As we love you above all other things, help us to seek you that we might receive your promises, which exceed all that we can desire. We ask this through the name of Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen**

Apostles Creed:

L: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

**Song: Son of God, Eternal Savior #264 Green Hymnal**

First Lesson: Acts 10:44-48

*While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So, he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.*

Second Lesson: 1 John 5:1-6

*Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.*

Special Music: Sunday School Student & The Choraleers

Gospel Lesson: John 15:9-17

*[Jesus says] As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.*

Children's Sermon/Sermon: Pastor Scott Dalen

**Song: When Peace Like a River #346 Green Hymnal**

Offering/Announcements

Words of Institution/Lord's Prayer

**C: 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.**

Distribution of Holy Communion

Post Communal Blessing

Prayers of the Church

...Lord in your mercy...**Hear our Prayer**

Benediction

**Closing Song: God of Grace and God of Glory #415 Green Hymnal**

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