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That's in the Bible.

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
Wakefield Chapel  
January 13, 2019 ❖ 8:00 a.m.



VAYZATA COMMUNITY CHURCH  
inspire the world

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+ Indicates an invitation to rise in body or in spirit.

PRELUDE

*Praise My Soul the King of Heaven*  
Kraig Windschitl, Organ

Robert Farlee

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP

John Ross

+ OPENING HYMN

*Praise My Soul the King of Heaven*

Blue #16

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet your tribute bring;  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me, His praise should sing?  
Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise the everlasting King!

Praise Him for His grace and favor, to our fathers in distress;  
Praise Him, still the same forever, slow to chide and swift to bless.  
Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Glorious in His faithfulness!

Father-like, He tends and spares us; well our feeble frame He knows;  
In His hands He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Widely as His mercy flows!

Angels, help us to adore Him, ye behold Him face to face;  
Sun and moon bow down before Him; dwellers all in time and space.  
Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise with us the God of grace! Amen!

+ LITANY

Lindy Purdy

Leader: When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone,

**All: When the kings and princes are home, when the shepherds are back  
with their flock,**

Leader: The work of Christmas begins:

**All: To find the lost, to heal the broken, to feed the hungry,  
to release the prisoner, to rebuild the nations, to bring peace among  
brothers, to make music in the heart. May it be so. AMEN.**

\* Adapted "The Work of Christmas" by Howard Thurman

+ GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

+ PASSING OF THE PEACE

Lindy Purdy

COMMUNITY MOMENTS

John Ross

SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM

John Ross

CONGREGATIONAL COVENANT

**We, as fellow Christians, join with you in the covenant you make this day. We recognize our unity as children of God, and acknowledge our important relation with each member of the church. We promise to watch over each newly baptized member for good and to support efforts to teach and guide each one on the Christian journey. We pledge to you and to all members of this congregation, our care, our counsel, our affection, and our prayers that this child will become an active follower of the way of Jesus.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

John Ross

Spencer Emily Kelley

SCRIPTURE

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Lindy Purdy

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*"God helps those who help themselves."*

John Ross

OFFERTORY

Improvisation on *Sicilian Mariners*

Kraig Windschitl, Organ

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Lindy Purdy

**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.**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Lindy Purdy

All are welcome at the table which has been set for us by Christ.

Let us prepare and receive the joyful feast of the people of God.

A gluten-free option is available.

COMMUNION PRAYER (unison)

**Gracious God, with Your followers of every age, we praise You for Your mighty acts. You brought the beautiful world into being, created life in abundant variety to fill the lands and seas, and made humanity in Your image to enjoy the gifts of creation and to follow You. Though each of us has strayed from the path You set for us, You have not abandoned us. You have sent us Your word of loving forgiveness through Your Son, Jesus Christ. For our sake He died on the cross, was raised on the third day, and leads the way to eternal life. We gather at this table to remember Him in the bread and the cup. May Your Spirit, which creates us, redeems us, and sustains us, be present as we share in the blessings of this Holy Communion. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF BREAD AND POURING OF CUP

COMMUNION MUSIC Kraig Windschitl, Organ

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

Please come forward to receive the Bread & Cup.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (unison)

**Faithful God, in this place and at this table we have witnessed the signs of Your love for each one of us. May we go from this place filled with grateful love for You and confirmed in our intention to share Your love with all who share our lives. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our host at this table and our guide in all our life. Amen.**

+ SENDING HYMN *Let the Whole Creation Cry* Blue #69

Let the whole creation cry, "Glory to the Lord on high."  
Heaven and earth, awake and sing, "God is good and therefore King."  
Praise Him, all ye hosts above, ever bright and fair in love.  
Sun and moon, uplift your voice, night and stars, in God rejoice.

Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem manifold,  
And let children's happy hearts in this worship bear their parts.  
From the north to southern pole let the mighty chorus roll.  
"Holy, holy, holy One, Glory be to God alone!" Amen.

+ BENEDICTION Lindy Purdy

Leader: For what does the Lord require of us?

**All: To do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.** (Micah 6:8)

POSTLUDE Fantasy on SALZBURG James Biery  
Kraig Windschitl, Organ

**...The End of Worship, the Beginning of Service...**



WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher	Rev. Dr. John F. Ross
Liturgist	Rev. S. Lindy Purdy
Music	Kraig Windschitl
Deacon	Barb Boulware
Usher	Carl Challgren