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+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

Trumpet Tune in E-flat
David N. Johnson

Mark Sedio '76, Organ
University Organist

WELCOME AND GATHERING PRAYER

Rev. Babette Chatman '06
University Pastor

WORD OF GREETING

Paul C. Pribbenow
University President

+ WORD +

PSALMODY

Psalm 22:25-31
Arr. Mark Sedio

Mark Sedio '76, Organ
University Organist
Josh Conroy '21, Ian Heseltine' 21, Grace Porter'21
Vocalists

SCRIPTURE

1 John 4:7-19
Kali Kadelbach '20

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through Christ Jesus. In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and God's love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in God and God in us, because God has given us the Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as God is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because God first loved us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hallelujah (Heleluyan)
Music: Muscogee Creek Indian;
transc. Charles H. Web, b. 1933

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Vocalists

GOSPEL

John 15:1-8
Mallory Ferguson '21

I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON

Rev. Justin Lind-Ayres
University Pastor

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Global Harmony Choir
Kristina Boerger, Conductor
Professor of Choral Leadership and Conducting

PRAYERS

Jenn Luong
Pastoral Intern

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Eternal Spirit,
Earth-Maker, Pain-bearer, Life-Giver
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Parent of us all.
Loving God, in whom is heaven.
The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the earth!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain
Our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For your reign in the glory of the power that is love,
Now and forever.
Amen.

Source: New Zealand Prayer Book, Published by HarperOne, 1977

+ **SENDING** +

BLESSING OF BLANKETS RITUAL

BENEDICTION

Rev. Babette Chatman '06
University Pastor

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

"Now Thank We All Our God"
Arr. Mark Sedio
Mark Sedio '76, Organ

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LITURGISTS

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University Pastor

Rev. Justin Lind-Ayres
University Pastor

Jenn Luong
Pastoral Intern

WELCOME

Paul C. Pribbenow
University President

READERS

Mallory Feguson '21
Kali Kadelbach '20

ORGANIST

Mark Sedio '76
University Organist

MUSICIANS

Josh Conroy '21, Ian Heseltine' 21, Grace Porter'21
Vocalists

Note: Musical pieces with Mark Sedio and student singers were recorded in Hoversten Chapel. Permission to live stream and podcast the music in this video is granted by CCLI License # 11525157 and One License Print/Streaming A-723242.

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