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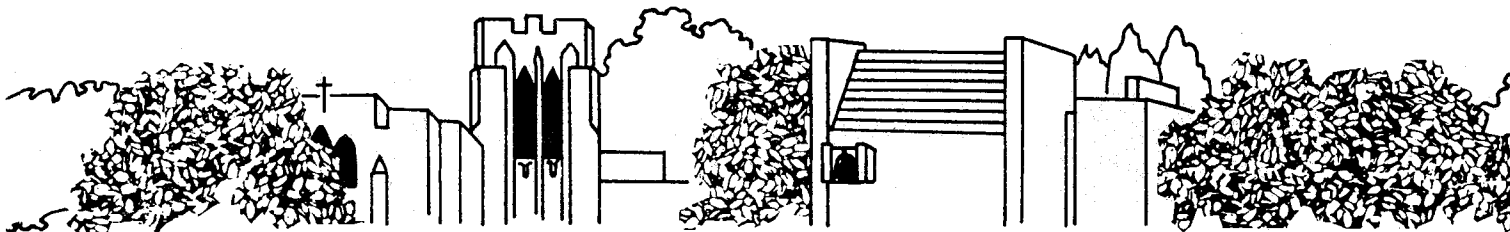
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*Northwestern Lutheran Theological Seminary*

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA



SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 1980, 3:00 P.M.

CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH • MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

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# ORDER OF SERVICE

## THE PRELUDE

Prelude in E Flat Major

J.S. Bach

John Ferguson, Organist

## THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: #544 The God of Abraham Praise

(The congregation shall rise when the procession enters the sanctuary.

There will be an organ interlude after the singing of each verse.)

The God of Abr'ham praise, Who reigns enthroned above;  
Ancient of everlasting days, And God of love.  
Jehovah, great I Am! By earth and heav'n confessed;  
I bow and bless the sacred name Forever blest.

The God of Abr'ham praise, Whose all sufficient grace  
Shall guide me all my pilgrim days In all my ways.  
He deigns to call me friend; He calls himself my God!  
And he shall save me to the end Through Jesus' blood.

The God who reigns on high, The great archangels sing,  
And "Holy, holy, holy!" cry, "Almighty King!  
Who was, and is, the same, And evermore shall be:  
Jehovah, Father, great I Am! We worship thee!"

Before the Savior's face, The ransomed nations bow,  
O'erwhelmed at his almighty grace Forever new.  
He shows his wounds of love; They kindle to a flame!  
And sound through all the worlds above The Paschal Lamb.

The whole triumphant host, Give thanks to God on high.  
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" They ever cry.  
Hail, Abr'ham's God and mine! I join the heav'nly lays:  
All might and majesty are thine And endless praise!

## THE ANTHEMS

O Rejoice, Ye Christians, Loudly  
Ambrosian Hymn of Praise  
Luther-Northwestern Faculty Choir

Bach-Morgan  
Ritter

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given us grace, by the confession of the true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and, in the power of your divine majesty, to worship the unity. Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your eternal glory, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

(The congregation may be seated.)

## FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

PSALM 111 (Sung antiphonally by graduating students and congregation.)

Grad: Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the Lord  
with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright,  
in the congregation.

Cong: Great are the deeds of the Lord!

They are studied  
by all who delight in them.

G: His work

is full of majesty and splendor,  
and his righteousness  
endures forever.

C: He makes his marvelous works

to be remembered;  
the Lord is gracious  
and full of compassion.

G: He gives food to those who fear him;

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

The Rev. Frederick Gaiser  
*Assistant Professor of Old Testament*

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe,  
**for in your wisdom you have formed us.**  
You feed the hungry and clothe the naked.  
**We bless you and praise your name forever.**  
You set free those who are bound.  
**We bless you and praise your name forever.**  
You raise up those whose courage falters.  
**We bless you and praise your name forever.**  
You provide for our every need.  
**Accept our grateful praises.**  
You have called us from all peoples.  
**We rejoice and bless your name forever.**  
You bless your people with peace.  
**We bless you and praise your loving grace.**  
Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe,  
**for in your wisdom you have formed us.**

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

**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.**

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- C: He has shown his people  
the power of his works  
in giving them the lands  
of the nations.
- G: The works of his hands  
are faithfulness and justice;  
all his commandments are sure.
- C: They stand fast forever and ever,  
because they are done  
in truth and equity.
- G: He sent redemption to his people;  
he commanded his covenant forever;  
holy and awesome is his name.
- C: The fear of the Lord  
is the beginning of wisdom;  
those who act accordingly  
have a good understanding.  
His praise endures forever.

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13

THE HYMN: #522 Come Thou Almighty King

THE ADDRESS

God's Call and the Church's Ministry

The Rev. James Crumley, Jr., D.D.  
*President, Lutheran Church in America*

THE HYMN: #242 Let the Whole Creation Cry

## THE SERVICE OF DEDICATION

(The congregation shall rise.)

LEADER:

There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;  
there are varieties of service, but the same Lord;  
there are varieties of working,  
but it is the same God who inspires them all in every one.  
To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for  
the common good.

For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek,  
between slave and free;  
between male and female;  
the same Lord is Lord of all  
and bestows his riches upon all who call upon him.

PEOPLE:

We are the church — all kinds and conditions of people, but  
one body of Christ and individually members of one another.

LEADER:

Graduating students, in the presence of God we have met here  
to honor you for your perseverance, faithfulness, and  
diligence in study  
and to present to the Church all of you who aspire to  
serve the Church of God in a variety of ministries.  
When he said,  
"I have come not to be served, but to serve,"  
Jesus defined the meaning of ministry.  
Your schools send you forth into this service  
with their love and blessing,  
and pray that you may be adequate to your task.

CANDIDATES:

With faith in the Triune God, we commit ourselves to this  
ministry of service.  
We pray that all our works, through God's gracious help,  
may be begun, continued, and ended in Him,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(The congregation may be seated.)



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THE PRAYER

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen

## THE BENEDICTION

### THE RECESSIONAL HYMN: #553 Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng

Rejoice, O pilgrim throng! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;  
Your festal banner wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

With voice as full and strong As ocean's surging praise,  
Send forth the sturdy hymns of old, The psalms of ancient days.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

Yet, on and onward still, With hymn and chant and song,  
Through gate and porch and columned aisle The hallowed pathways throng.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

Still lift your standard high, Still march in firm array,  
As pilgrims through the darkness wend Till dawns the golden day.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

Praise him who reigns on high, The Lord whom we adore:  
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, One God forevermore.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

## THE POSTLUDE

Fugue in E Flat Major

J.S. Bach

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following the service.

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