# Worship 9:30am

# **Sunday School 10:50am**

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** 

Medley of German Hymns

arr. Shackley

Karla Leuenberg and Tresa Hohmann, pianists

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Ruth Harder

\*HYMN #36

God of our strength

## WE LISTEN AND LEARN

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN

Joshua Chittum

**SCRIPTURE** 

Amos 5:18-20

Luke 4:16-21

\*HYMN #1 SS

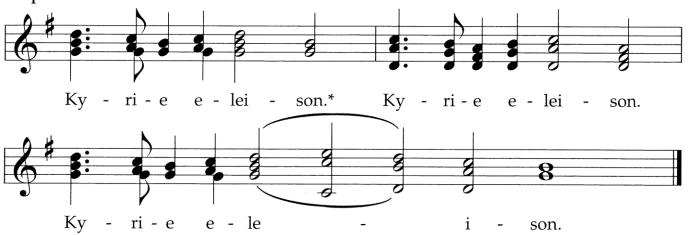
Praise the One who breaks the darkness

**SERMON** 

Sarah Augustine

### **REFLECTION**





All: O God, Sovereign of the universe, without you nothing is true, nothing is just. In your Word you reveal the way of love. By your Spirit you make it possible.

Leader: From greed and selfishness,

from a society in which the rich get richer

and the poor get poorer

People: compassionate God, deliver us. (Refrain)

Leader: From racial prejudice and religious intolerance,

from a society which makes its weakest

and most recent members into scapegoats.

People: compassionate God, deliver us.

Leader: From indifference to the needs of other countries,

from the delusion that you love any other nation less

than you love us,

People: compassionate God, deliver us. (Refrain)

Leader: From self-indulgence and indifference,

from a society in which fidelity

and responsibility have little place,

People: compassionate God, deliver us.

All: Author of life,

give us hearts set on the coming of your reign; give us wise, just, and humble leaders; give all who live in this land a will to live in peace, through Jesus Christ, the One who is above all powers and dominions. (Refrain)\*\*

### WE RESPOND AND SHARE

#### **SHARING JOY**

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

## SHARING CONCERNS

## PRAYING TOGETHER

Slips of paper are available in the pew racks for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl table at the front of the sanctuary.

**OFFERING** 

Offertory: This is my Father's World Sheppard, arr. Shackley

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MCUSA CONVENTION BLESSING

If you did not have time to submit a written announcement, or if something new needs highlighting, please hand your written announcement to the worship leader or pastor <u>before</u> the worship service.

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#### WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE

\*SENDING FORTH PRAYER

\*HYMN (see next page)

Live into Hope

\*POSTLUDE He's got the whole world in His hands Please remain standing for the closing hymn and postlude.

arr. Smith

\* Please stand in body or in spirit.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*. Songs designated "SS" are in the green *Sing the Story* hymnal. As we sing, please use language that makes worship most meaningful, enriching and inclusive.

\*\*The Kyrie (#144) and responsive reading (#803) are reprinted from Hymnal: A Worship Book

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