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April 30, 2023

Worship 9:30am

Fellowship 10:30am
Faith Formation for all ages 10:50am

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Karla Leuenberg and Tresa Hohmann, pianists

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Sallie Page-Goertz, worship leader

***HYMN VT 80**

We Sing to You, O God

WE LISTEN AND LEARN

MOMENT OF WONDER

Janelle Arnett Campbell

ANTHEMS

Come Build a Church
Ain't Got Time to Die
Paul Zehr, solo

Medema
Johnson

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 28:16-20

REFLECTION

Ruth Harder, Karen Goering Hostetler

*HYMN VT 765

Polly Carlson, solo

Listen, God Is Calling

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

WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE

*HYMN VT 397

The Church's One Foundation

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

*You are invited to stand

Anthem: *Come Build a Church*. Words and music by Ken Medema.

God of Creation, Maker of all things.
We gather in this place to pray.
We do invite you come now among us;
Come and build your church today.

(Refrain)

Come build a church with soul and spirit, Come build a church of flesh and bone.
We need no tower rising skyward; No house of wood, or glass, or stone.
Come build a church with human frailty. Come build a church of flesh and blood,
Jesus shall be its sure foundation. It shall be built by the hand of God.

Let us see the tongues of fire. Let us hear the great wind roar.
Let us know the awe and wonder that we've only glimpsed before.
Let us feel the strength of passion which can make us laugh and weep.
Let us know this great awakening for so long we've been asleep.

Let us know the love unceasing which alone can loose the bounds.
Reaching out across the chasms bringing walls of hatred down.
Let us taste the sweet communion where the circle never ends.
Hold us in the sweet connection, turning strangers into friends. (Refrain)

Guide our feet in peaceful pathways, teach us peace of heart and mind;
Peace with God and all God's children 'till we leave our wars behind.
Surely joy will come and find us like a breeze that cools the night;
Like the rain upon the desert; like a candle's gentle light. (Refrain)

Ain't Got Time to Die. Words and music by Hall Johnson, alt.

Lord, I keep so busy praisin' my Jesus, ain't got time to die.
'Cause when I'm healin' the sick, I'm praisin' my Jesus.

(Refrain)

'Cause it takes all o' my time to praise my Jesus
All o' my time to praise my Lord.
If I don't praise Him, the rocks gonna cry out,
"Glory and Honor, ain't got time to die."

Lord, I keep so busy working fer the Kingdom, ain't got time to die.
'Cause when I'm feedin' the poor, I'm working fer the Kingdom. (Refrain)

Lord, I keep so busy singin' in the choir, ain't got time to die.
'Cause when I'm singin' a song, I'm praisin' my Jesus. (Refrain)

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