

■ **call to worship** | *Mike Powell, Pastoral Associate*

*Psalm 96:1-3*

<sup>1</sup>Oh sing to the Lord a new song;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth!

<sup>2</sup>Sing to the Lord, bless his name;

tell of his salvation from day to day.  
<sup>3</sup>Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous works among all the peoples!

■ **prayer of adoration**

■ **song of praise**

**Psalm 150 (Praise the Lord)**

You made the starry hosts  
You traced the mountain peaks  
You paint the evening sky with wonders  
The earth it is Your throne  
From desert to the sea  
All nature testifies Your splendor

*Praise the Lord—Praise the Lord  
Sing His greatness—All creation  
Praise the Lord—Raise your voice  
You heights and all you depths  
From furthest east to west  
Let everything that has breath  
Praise the Lord*

You reached into the dust  
In love Your Spirit breathed  
You formed us in Your very likeness  
To know Your wondrous works  
To tell Your mighty deeds  
To join the everlasting chorus

Let symphonies resound  
Let drums and choirs ring out  
All heaven hear the sound of worship  
Let every nation bring  
Its honors to the King  
A roar of harmonies eternal

*Praise the Lord—Praise the Lord  
Sing His greatness—All creation  
Praise the Lord—Raise your voice  
You heights and all you depths  
From furthest east to west  
You distant burning stars  
All creatures near and far  
From sky to sea to shore  
Sing out forevermore  
Let everything that has breath  
Praise the Lord*

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■ **scripture reading** | *the Erickson family*

*Romans 8:31-39*

**God's Everlasting Love**

<sup>31</sup>What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup>Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;  
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

<sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## ■ congregational prayer

## ■ offertory prayer | *Doug Shipley*

## ■ presentation of tithes and offerings

## ■ sermon scripture reading

*Luke 11:5-13*

<sup>5</sup>And he said to them, “Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves, <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; <sup>7</sup>and he will answer from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything’? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. <sup>11</sup>What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; <sup>12</sup>or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

## ■ sermon | *Mike Powell, Pastoral Associate*

### “His Answer to My Prayer”

## ■ song of response

### How Deep the Father’s Love for Us

How deep the Father’s love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross  
My guilt upon His shoulders  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything  
No gifts no pow’r no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from His reward  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom

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## ■ benediction

## ■ announcements