### **GOING FORTH**

+ Closing Hymn #377

"It is Well with My Soul"

VILLE DU HAVRE

# **†** Commission, Benediction and Passing of the Peace

Through God's infinite grace we are free from fear.

Let us grow in the ways we have committed, watching over each other in love.

We know what we are sent to do, and we shall...

"Do all the good we can . . . in all the ways we can . . .

in all the places we can . . . to all the people we can . . . as long as ever we can."

Go in peace in the name and power of our Triune God, whose name is blessed forever. Amen.

## **Postlude**

musical selection by Tim Smith



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**Sunday Worship Celebration** 

November 13, 2016 @ 9:30am

You are invited to worship with us in the quiet of prayer, in the joy of song, and in the desire to grow in the grace and knowledge of our LORD Jesus Christ. Part of our mission is to be a place for all people. All are welcome here! Whatever your gender, age, race, religious background, economic status, sexual orientation or condition of ableness, we greet you as a beloved child of God.



\* The order of service is subject to change at the leading of the Holy Spirit.

\* Italicized Bold print\* invites congregational response in unison.

\* Means you are invited to stand if able and comfortable.

\* Iistening assistance devices\* are available at the entry of the sanctuary.

#### **ENTRANCE & PRAISE**

**Prelude** musical selection by Tim Smith

## **Welcome & News**

Topening Hymn #694 "Come, Ye Thankful People Come" [v.v. 1-3] ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

**† Call to Worship** [based on Psalm 98]

Mary Prause

Sing to God a new song because the LORD has done wonderful things! **God has made eternal salvation widely known**;

Sing your praises to the LORD with the lyre—with the lyre and the sound of music.

With trumpets and a horn blast, shout triumphantly before God, our Savior!

Let the sea and everything in it roar; the world and all its inhabitants too.

Let all the rivers clap their hands; let the mountains rejoice out loud, because God is coming to establish justice on the earth!

So come and be refreshed, as fresh water brings joy to the thirsty!

**Prayer of Invocation** [from churchofscotland.org.uk]

Pastor Alex

Children's Message

"The Good Ness"

Pastor Alex

[Children are invited to continue this worship in Sunday School for the lesson "Moses and Pharaoh", based on Exodus 5:1-13:9]

# Prayers of the People & LORD's Prayer

["Small Random Acts of Peacemaking" by John van de Laar, at Sacredise.com]

In a world where violence seems to rule, we commit, O God, to small random acts of peace making. Where people are oppressed because they look, act, speak, think or love differently we will affirm their freedom. Where people are exploited because they lack the strength or resources to refuse, we will seek to create alternatives. Where people are controlled through threat and fear, we will offer safety and hope. Where people believe their violence and power give them the right and ability to act as they please we will call them to account. Wherever violence is done to another, through physical force, manipulation of truth, or the subtle workings of power, we will opt out, we will speak out, and we will stand out in opposition, through small, random acts of peace making.

## [prayers of the people are lifted...]

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**Hymn of Praise #694** "Come, Ye Thankful People Come" [v.v. 4] ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

**Anthem** "Soon and Very Soon" by arr. Jack Schrader Chancel Choir

### **PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE**

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Mary Prause

[adapted from prayer by © Thom M. Shuman, lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com]

Creating God, You grasp chaos and shake it into new heavens brimming with light, new earth teeming with life.

Word of God, You shape our lips and loosen our tongues that we might witness to Your kin-dom where enemies come together in peace.

Spirit of Wisdom, open us, that we might trust without fear;

fill us, that we might discern our call to faithfulness; teach us, that we would make known our thanks to the farthest shores of the universe.

**†** Gospel Reading

"Luke 21:5-19" [NRSV]

Mary Prause

The Word of God to the perseverant people of God! Thanks be to God!

**Listening for God's Message** 

"Share Your Good News"

Pastor Alex

Hymn of Response #729

"O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines"

JERUSALEM

**Invitation to Offering** 

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

musical selection by Tim Smith

† Doxology #95

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, Ye heavenly Host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer [prayer based on Haggai 1:15b-2:9 adapted from umcdiscipleship.org]