



Shadowdancer. Calligraphy and collage by Peg Hester, text by Deryl Fleming.

GATHERING

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

I Love to Tell the Story

Emma Lou Diemer

GREETING

Michael Hester

INVOCATION

Today we lift our hearts to you in one voice as we pray,
For the rich heritage we have received from your hand, we are grateful, O God.
You have fashioned our hearts and observed our deeds.
Now we come together, awaiting further instructions from your Word.
Teach us what we need to know in order to live faithfully in a troubled world.
Lead us beyond the routines of worship to a genuine, life-changing
encounter with you: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 48

Great is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 100

Laura Addis

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
**Serve the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.**
Know that the Lord is God.
**It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**
Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him; bless his name.
For the Lord is good;
**his steadfast love endures forever
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Tommy Bratton

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

*SHARING PEACE

*HYMN OF FAITH 587

Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound

NEW BRITAIN

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON	Galatians 5:22-25 This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	Cliff Christian
SERMON	"Grace and Gratitude"	Michael Hester
MUSICAL MEDITATION	<i>Great is Thy Faithfulness</i>	Dan Miller
INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP		
*HYMN OF RESPONSE 581	<i>I Love to Tell the Story</i>	HANKEY
OFFERTORY SENTENCES		
OFFERTORY	<i>Prelude on NEW BRITAIN</i>	George Shearing
*DOXOLOGY 707	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	OLD HUNDREDTH
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION		Anne Raybon
OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONTINUED RESPONSE		
BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE	<i>Toccata Brevis</i>	Daniel Gawthrop

*Those who are able please stand.

We welcome all guests worshipping with us today. Learning experiences for preschool children and infants are offered during the worship hour in the children's building. Large print bulletins and hymns and enhanced hearing aids are available for use in this service. An usher can assist you with these and any other needs you may have.

The season of Ordinary Time refers to the Sundays of the year that fall outside the periods of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. The word Ordinary refers to the ordinal numbers of each Sunday as we count the weeks between the Church's seasons. Ordinary time can be understood in terms of the living out of the Christian faith and the meaning of Christ's resurrection in our day-to-day life. The color green represents the life and growth of the church and its ministry.

This week's cover art is *Shadowdancer*. Calligraphy and collage by Peg Hester, text by Deryl Fleming. This week's cover art for worship is very special to Michael Hester, our guest preacher and the Director of the Pastoral Counseling and Growth Center. Written by Deryl Fleming, a mentor and pastor friend, it has been a daily reminder of the importance of grace and gratitude. The calligraphy and collage was created by Peggy Hester, Michael's wife. It has hung in his office for thirty years.

Leaders in worship include our guest preacher Dr. Michael Hester, Cliff Christian, Lay Reader, and Anne Raybon, Deacon of the Week.

MINISTRY LEADERS

Mrs. Laura Addis

Ministry Associate, Students

Mr. Tate Addis

Organist

Rev. Brett Baddorf

Ministry Associate, Children

Dr. Tommy Bratton

Coordinating Pastor

Rev. Leah Brown

Associate Pastor, Pastoral Care

Dr. Casey Callahan

Associate Pastor, Mission and Students

Dr. Joshua Cheney

Interim Music Minister

Dr. Mack Dennis

Pastor

Rev. Amy Stertz

Associate Pastor, Christian Formation and Children

