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**Prelude**                      *“This Is My Father’s World”*                      Dale Wood

**Call to Worship**                      Psalm 30:1-3, 11-12

**\*Opening Hymn**                      #824                      *“This Is My Father’s World”*

## **\*Confession and Forgiveness**

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

Pastor: Most merciful God,

**All: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: In the mercy and grace of God, through Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven and a new life connected to Christ is yours.

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all...

**All: And also with you.**

**\*Song of Forgiveness #801                      *“Change My Heart, O God”***

*(Please come forward to the Baptismal Font as you are able.)*

## **\*Prayer of the Day**

\*Please stand as you are able. 2

## Life In Community

### Children's Message

The children may bring their offerings forward at this time for 'Side by Side Kids'. After the Children's Message, children may be taken to the preschool nursery or return to their families. Children who remain with their families are invited to quietly enjoy the two coloring stations in the sanctuary.

*(Please sign and pass the attendance book at this time.)*

### Scripture Reading...Acts 9:1-9 (NRSV)

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

### \*Song of Response

### "Holy Spirit, Rain Down"

### Hillsong

Ho-ly Spir-it rain down, rain down; O - Com-for-ter\_ and friend,  
\_ how we need Your touch a- gain;\_ Ho-ly Spir-it rain down, rain  
down; Let Your pow - er fall,\_ let Your voice be heard; Come and  
change our hearts as we stand on Your Word Ho-ly Spir - it, rain\_down.

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### **\*Scripture Reading...Acts 9:10-20 (NRSV)**

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

### **\*Song of Response    *"Holy Spirit, Rain Down"*    (see page 3)**

### **Message    *"Comforter and Nag"*    Pr. Tim Anderson**

Pr. Tim Anderson will be serving Shepherd of the Hills on a part-time basis this summer. Tim served as pastor of St. John/San Juan for nearly 20 years before recently leaving that call to focus on his writing. Follow his blog at [www.justalittlebitmorebook.com](http://www.justalittlebitmorebook.com) .  
Welcome Pr. Tim!

### **\*Message Song #666 vs 1,2&4    *"What Wondrous Love Is This"***

### **\*Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\*Prayers of the Community**

**\*Sharing of the Peace**

**Offering**

*"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:40)*

**Offertory "Variations on Wondrous Love" Samuel Barber**

**\*Offertory Response "Give Thanks"**

Give thanks with a grateful heart  
Give thanks to the holy one  
Give thanks because he's given  
Jesus Christ, his son  
(x2)

And now let the weak say I am strong  
Let the poor say I am rich  
Because of what the Lord has done, for us  
(x2)  
Give Thanks

**\*Offering Prayer**

**\*Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

\*Please stand as you are able.

## \*Salutation

### \*Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## \*Words of Institution

### \*Lord's Prayer

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;  
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## Invitation to the Lord's Table

### Communion Distribution

*As we celebrate this sacrament, all are invited to the Lord's Table. God is really present - in bread and wine - forgiving sins and promising new life. In the distribution, individual cups have been pre-filled with wine or white grape juice (in the center of the trays).*

### Communion Music

**Josh Norem**

### Communion Blessing

\*Please stand as you are able.

**\*Benediction**

**\*Song of Sending #720**                      ***“We Are Called”***

**\*Sending**

Leader: With the Holy Spirit as our Comforter and the Holy Spirit moving in us and through us, let us go out to love and serve the Lord...

All:        **Thanks be to God...and, we will!**

**\*Postlude**                      ***“Gigue Fugue in C”***                      **Buxtehude**

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**Prayers**

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- For Pat Saul and Carrie McFarland on their health challenges
- For Stewart Johnson, son of Sylvia and Curtis Johnson
- For Madeline Jackson, granddaughter of Lois Ambelang
- Prayers for the people of Kabul, London, and Washington, DC. May we pray for open minds and open hearts as we seek peace in the world around us.
- Prayers for the ministry of CHARIS in Haiti, and missionaries Joy and Malcolm Henderson
- Prayers for Pr. Karen Castillo and the ministry in Guatemala.
- For our **THIS MATTERS!** Capital Campaign and our faith community, that we may be a church without walls and live out loud... faithfully!

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**Sunday Morning Servants**

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<b>Pastors</b>	Pr. Tom Grevlos, Pr. Tim Anderson
<b>Director of Worship/Arts</b>	Kevin McClure
<b>Instrumentalists</b>	Josh Norem (8:15), MacKenzie Demmel (10:45)
<b>Assisting Ministers</b>	Jennifer Arndt (8:15), Peter Miller (10:45)
<b>Altar Stewards</b>	Milt and Sandy Nielsen (8:15)
<b>Communion Bread</b>	Dee Jackson
<b>Ushers</b>	Dave and Nancy Fossmeyer (8:15)
<b>Offering Tellers</b>	Charlyn Bacon, Anita Knight
<b>Bulletin Team</b>	Elnora McQuiston, Marie Fortune, Ray Tackett
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	Given by Tom and Betty Lueders in memory of their fathers



**Tuesdays, thru July 25**

**BE BOLD!**

**CATCH THE REFORMATION SPIRIT**

<b>5:45pm</b>	Fellowship
<b>6:00pm</b>	Meal
<b>6:40pm</b>	Prayer
<b>6:50-7:30pm</b>	Learning

Tuesday, June 20

## THE MUSIC!

**ADULTS:** Kevin McClure enriches us with his knowledge of the musical creativity unleashed during the Reformation. And yes, we will sing!

**YOUTH:** Faith Alive begins at 4:30pm!

**CHILDREN:** Austin musician Laura Freeman of Hey Lolly Music orchestrates an interactive, educational show for the kids- or the whole family!

Go to [www.shephills.org](http://www.shephills.org) for more information on all Tuesday Nights, or pick up a flyer in the Gathering Space  
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