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Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 & 10:30 AM

***Gratitude for the Saints of Today***

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>**

L: Come, children of God: know that God has blessed you today.

**P: We are blessed by work and rest, by word and silence.**

L: Come, women and men who follow the Christ, who has not led you astray.

**P: We have traveled His path, and know glory and sacrifice.**

L: Come, saints and sinners all, receive God's love and bounty.

**P: We offer our sacrifice of praise; we offer our very selves.**

L: Let us worship God.

**\*OPENING HYMN NO. 2172** (TFWS, see p. 3)

*We Are Called*

**\*TIME OF CONFESSION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>2</sup>

**ALL: God of all the saints, God of all the sinners, hear our prayer. We would be saintlike – holy, good, patient, loving. But we end up feeling more like sinners – full of failures of morality, selfish, mean. Perhaps You see us simply as your children– beloved, and flawed, and trying, and failing, and succeeding. In all of this, forgive the wrong that we have done, and the bless the good we have accomplished. Keep on loving us, and helping us, and molding us more and more into the image of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 2270 (FWS, see p. 4)

*He's Has Made Me Glad*

**ALL SING:** I will enter his gates with thanksgiving in my heart, I will enter his courts with praise. I will say, "This is the day that the Lord has made." I will rejoice, for he has made me glad. He has made me glad, he has made me glad. I will rejoice for he has made me glad. He has made me glad, he has made me glad. I will rejoice, for he has made me glad.

(10:30 AM) **SUNDAY SONGS**

*Thank You God for Making Me*

(10:30 AM) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

*How Lovely are the Ones by Martin*

**SCRIPTURE**

**MESSAGE**

**HYMN NO. 522** (BH, see p. 5)

*I Love to Tell the Story*

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**ALL:** 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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 NO. 593** (UMH, see p. 6)

*Here I Am Lord*

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

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<sup>1</sup> The Call to Worship was written by Rev. Beth Merrill Neel and posted on her website, <https://holdfasttowhatgood.com/liturgy/call-to-worship/> and accessed on November 10, 2021

<sup>2</sup> The prayer of confession was written by Rev. Beth Merrill Neel and posted on her website, <https://holdfasttowhatgood.com/liturgy/prayer-of-confession/> and accessed on October 18, 2021.

# We Are Called

Piano  $\text{♩} = 80$

1. Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the  
 2. Come! O-pen your heart! Show your mer-cy to  
 3. Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when

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love of the Lord! We are called to be light for the king-dom, to  
 all those in fear! We are called to be hope for the hope-less so all  
 all will be one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each oth - er as

13

live in the free-dom of the cit-y of God! We are called  
 hat-red and blin-ness will be no more!  
 sis-ters and brothers u - nit-ed in love!

19

to act with jus-tice, we are called to love ten-der - ly,

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we are called to serve one an - oth-er, to walk

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hum - bly with God!

# He Has Made Me Glad

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**Piano** ♩ = 80

I will en - ter his gates with thanks - giv - ing in my heart, I will

4 en - ter his courts with praise. I will say, "This is the day that the

7 Lord has made." I will re - joice, for he has made me glad. He has made me glad,

11 he has made me glad. I will re - joice, for he has made me glad.

14 He has made me glad, he has made me glad. I will re - joice, for he has made me

17 glad.

# I Love to Tell the Story

♩ = 80  
Piano

1. I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove. Of  
 2. I love to tell the sto - ry; more won - der - ful it seems than  
 3. I love to tell the sto - ry; it's plea - sant to re - peat what  
 4. I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best seem

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Je - sus' ra - dian - t glo - ry, of Je - sus' end - less love. I  
 all the gold - en vi - sions of all our gold - en dreams. I  
 seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet. I  
 hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it, like the rest. And

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love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true; it sat - is - fies my  
 love to tell the sto - ry, I tell it now to you be - cause I want to  
 love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard the mes - sage of sal -  
 when I sing in glo - ry, I know the new, new song will be the old, old

15

long - ings as noth - ing else can do. I love to tell the sto - ry; and  
 share it, be - cause I know it's true.  
 - va - tion from God's own ho - ly Word.  
 sto - ry that I have loved so long.

20

when I am in glo - ry I'll tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus' end - less

25

love.

# Here I Am Lord

♩ = 80

Piano

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo-ple cry. All who dwell in  
 2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo-ple's pain. I have wept for  
 3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame, I will set a

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dark and sin my hand will save. I who made the stars of night,  
 love of them. They turn a - way. I will break their hearts of stone,  
 feast for them. My hand will save. Fin-est bread I will pro-vide

11

I will make their dark-ness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I  
 give them hearts for love a - lone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I  
 till their hearts be sat - is - fied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I

16

send? Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
 send?

21

I have heard you call-ing in the night. I will

26

go Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your

31

peo - ple in my heart.