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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: Let this be a welcoming place, a place of return

P: and let it be built by a love that bends towards those who return here.

L: Let this be a welcoming place, a place for people who feel lost

P: and let it be a place where embrace is found.

L: Let this be a welcoming place, a place for people to feel known

P: and let it be a place where community abounds.

L: Let this be a welcoming place

P: a place where our worship honors the God who welcomes all who are lost and found.

***OPENING HYMN NO. 35** (Sing!, see p. 3)

No Matter

***TIME OF CONFESSION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

God of wisdom, we confess the foolishness of our ways, and our failure to follow you in your paths of right relationships—with you and with others. We have gone astray; we feel lost. We have upheld our own interests first, to the detriment of others. We have failed to be generous with the poor, and abandoned our efforts to bring about justice.

We feel the stains of our sins, God; have mercy on us according to your steadfast love. Wash the sinfulness out of us, and help us to live more faithfully as your servants. We ask this in the name of Christ, who is our teacher and Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 2022 (FWS, see p. 4, refrain & v. 3) *Great is the Lord*

ALL SING: Great is the Lord, he is holy and justice; by his power we trust in his love. Great is the Lord, he is faithful and true; by his mercy he proves he is love. Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise! Great are you, Lord; I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice: Great are you, Lord. Great are you, Lord!

(10:30 AM) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(10:30 AM) SPECIAL MUSIC *The Water is Wide* by Joseph Green

John R. Zimmerman, Euphonium USMC, Retired
George W. DeMERS, Tuba
Travis Pinci, Piano

**SCRIPTURE
MESSAGE**

Luke 15:1-10

HYMN NO. 547 (NCH, see p. 5)

Amazing Grace

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN NO. 393** (NCH, see p. 6)

Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Thank you to John Kollasch and Deb & Jack Herlocker for serving on the tech teams. Thank you to Deb & Terry Barnes, Cindy & Rick Hogentogler, and Connie & John Wolfe for serving on the welcome teams. Thank you to John R. Zimmerman, USMC, Retired, George W. DeMERS, and Travis Pinci for providing special music today.

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² The prayer of confession was posted on the Presbyterian Church in Canada website, <http://presbyterian.ca/worship/> and accessed on August 8, 2022.

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No Matter

♩ = 80

Piano

No mat-ter who, _____ no mat-ter what, _____ no mat-ter where you are on the

5

jour-ney of life; you're wel-come, wel-come in this_ place. _____ No mat-ter

10

who, ___ no mat-ter what, ___ no mat-ter where you are on the jour-n-ey of life: ac - cept-ed,

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Fine

To verses *Last time*

wel - comed by God's grace. grace.

18

1. For we are fam - i - ly, _____ meant to be _____ pur-posed for e -
 2. And in di - ver - si - ty, _____ u - ni - ty, _____ har - mo - ny for
 3. To-ge-th - er we will sing, _____ wor-ship bring, hands and hearts out -
 4. The God who spoke through Christ, _____ speaks to us _____ lis - ten to our

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- ter - ni - ty _____ Born in love, _____ from a - bove, _____ God's co - mu - ni - ty _____
 all to see: _____ Just - ice and _____ e - qui - ty, _____ God's co - mu - ni - ty _____
 - stretched to all _____ Je - sus praise, hearts a - blaze, list - en to God's call _____
 Sav - ior's call _____ Wel - come home, wel - come in, wel - come one and all _____

Great Is the Lord

Michael W. Smith & Deborah D. Smith

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Piano $\text{♩} = 80$

Great is the Lord, he is ho - ly and just; by his pow - er we trust in his
love, Great is the Lord, he is faith - ful and true; by his mer - cy he proves he is
love. 1., 2. Great is the Lord and wor - thy of glo - ry! Great is the Lord and
3. Great are you, Lord, and wor - thy of glo - ry! Great are you, Lord, and
wor - thy of praise. Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:
wor - thy of praise. Great are you Lord; I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:
Great _____ is the Lord! _____
Great _____ are you, Lord! _____
Great _____ is the Lord! _____
Great _____ are you Lord! _____

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

John Newton, 1725-1807

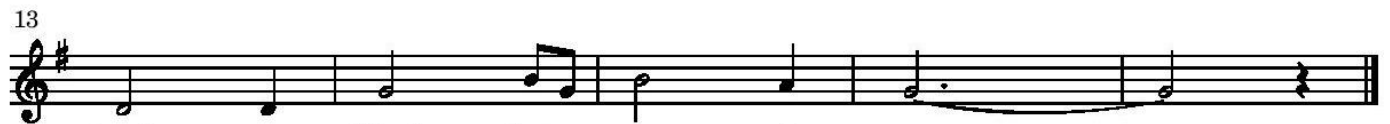
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Piano 

1. A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my
3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al -
4. My God has prom - ised good to me, whose word my
5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright shin - ing

7 

wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am
fears re - lieved; How pre - cious did that grace ap -
read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus
hope se - cures; God will my shield and por - tion
as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's

13 

found, was blind but now I see.
pear the hour I first be - lieved!
far. and grace will lead me home.
be as long as life en - dures.
praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

John Fawcett

John G. Nägeli

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♩ = 80

Piano



1. Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in
2. Be - fore our God we come and pour our
3. We share each oth - er's woes, each oth - er's
4. When we are called to part it gives us

6



Chris - tian love; The shar - ing of a com - mon
ar - dent prayers; Our fears, our hopes, our aims are
bur - dens bear, And of - ten for each oth - er
in - ward pain, But we shall still be joined in

11



life is like to that a - bove.
one, our com - forts and our cares.
flows a sym - pa - thiz - our tear.
heart, and hope to meet a - gain.