Gathering

Welcome

*Song: “Give Us Light”

Sean McClure (MDiv ‘19)

See insert

Centering

Prayers of the People

Elizabeth O’Donnell Gandolfo

Proclaiming

Performing and Responding to the Word: John 12:20 - 33

Proclaimer: Anna Fleig (MDiv ‘18)

Performers: Joy Williams (MDiv ‘20), Tamika Jackson (MDiv ‘20), Hannah McGrath (MDiv/MA Couns ‘20), Greg Drumwright (MDiv ‘18), Hollis Dudgeon (MDiv ‘19), Morgan DePerno (MDiv ‘18), and John Kernodle (MDiv ‘19)

Responding

Preparing Our Hearts for Communion: “Return to God”

MUO #73

Led by Blake Tickle (MDiv ‘20), Marquis Hairston (MDiv ‘20), and Katarina Holmgren (MDiv ‘20)

Communion

Michelle Voss Roberts and Anna Fleig

Communion Liturgy

See insert

Communion Song: “One Bread, One Body”

MUO #87

* Please stand in body and/or spirit.
Sending

*Sending Song: “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”  

*Benediction

Give Us Light

1 Give us light; give us light; give us light, O Lord.
2 Give us life; give us life; give us life, O Lord.
3 Grant us peace; grant us peace; grant us peace, O Lord.
4 Save us now; save us now; save us now, O Lord.
5 Give us grace; give us grace; give us grace, O Lord.

HINDI
1 Jyothi dho Prabhu.
2 Jivvan dho Prabhu.
3 Shanthi dho Prabhu.
4 Mukthi dho Prabhu.
5 Aasish dho Prabhu.

From northern India comes this refrain from a typical bhajan, a kind of spiritual song praising the attributes of God. The Indian tradition of repeating important words and phrases (often even more than here) can be seen in this text drawn from images appearing in John 1:9-17.

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Communion Liturgy

One: God is with you
All: And also with you
One: Let us open our hearts
All: We open our hearts to God and one another
One: Let us give thanks
All: We thank God with joy

One: Holy God, our Loving Creator...

Gifted by the presence of your Holy Spirit, we offer ourselves to you as we unite our voices with the entire family of faith and service, in all places and in all times.

All: Holy, holy, holy
God of love and majesty,
the whole universe speaks of your glory.
Blessed is the one who comes in God’s name!
Hosanna in the highest!

One: As we come to this table
we remember the story that Jesus’ friends told...

...”My very lifeblood will be poured out--
when you drink this cup, and remember me,
I will be in you.”

All: Come Holy Spirit, come.
Bless this bread and this cup.
Bless all of us in our eating and drinking
that our eyes might be opened,
that we might recognize Christ in our midst,
indeed, in one another.

Post-Communion Prayer

All: God of life and love, we thank you for the gifts of your Spirit, sent to us through Jesus, present across all time. Sustain us as we multiply your love;
embolden us to do your work in this world. Amen.
Notes for Today’s Worship

About the Worship Leader
As an aspiring counselor and minister, Anna Felig hopes to facilitate conversations of faith and sexuality in both religious and secular settings. Outside of her professional work, Anna enjoys laughing, shenanigans, and heated debates with Jesus.

Worship
Today’s worship service was planned by Amanda Kerr (MDiv ’18) and Johanna Kelley (MDiv ’20).

The altar design was created by Sophia Russell (MDiv ’18).

Today’s bulletin cover art was retrieved from https://favim.com/image/110905/

The prayer was written by Jenny Adams and shared on the Church of Scotland’s Starters for Sunday website.

Communion
Communion today is celebrated by intinction. You will be given a piece of gluten-free bread that you are invited to dip into the wine or grape juice.

Wine and grape juice are present in both chalices. Wine is in the lesser-filled side of the chalice and inscribed with a “W.” Grape juice is in the greater-filled side of the chalice and is inscribed with a “J.”

Today’s Communion Liturgy was adapted from Ruth Duck’s “Finding Words for Worship” and the “Liturgy Outside” website.

Welcome to Guests
We extend a special welcome to prospective students visiting on Wake Divinity Day. We hope you find this community a warm and welcoming space as you discern your call to theological education.

Worship Team Members
For feedback, suggestions, or offers to participate in worship, please contact a member of the worship team:

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