## Children's Message

**Hymn 690** Bind Us Together Bob Gillman

**Preaching** Love's Elasticity

**Offertory** Oh, Taste and See<sup>++</sup> Nathan B. Sprague

\*Doxology Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God for all that Love has done:
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen

## **Offertory Prayer**

**Sharing the Table of Christ** 

\*Hymn 782 Come, Share the Lord *Divernon* 

# **Commission and Blessing**

**Postlude** Allegro Maestoso from *Archangel Fantasie* 2021 Angela Kraft Cross

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ROGER WILLIAMS
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## **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

#### **Chorale Preludes**

Johann Andreas Streicher

O Gott, du frommer Gott (O God, Thou faithful God)
Jesu, meine Zuversicht (Jesus, my sure Defender)
Herr, wie du willst (Lord, as Thou will)
Liebster Jesu, wir sind (Blessed Jesus, we are here)
Jesu, meines Lebens Leben (Jesus, my Life, my all)

#### Welcome

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Blessed are we

People: when our treasures cannot be quantified.

Leader: Blessed are we

People: when our knowledge is tempered by mystery.

Leader: Blessed are we

People: when our pain is held in the balm of love.

Leader: Blessed are we

People: when our delight comes from beyond ourselves.

Leader: Blessed are we

People: when we enter the house of God with joyful hearts.

\*Greeting One Another

#### Announcements

### \*Responsive Invocation

Leader: "Love the Lord, your God

with all your heart with all your soul and with all your mind."

People: Holy God,

let this be. Show us how. Leader: "And love your neighbor as yourself."

People: Holy God, let this be.

Take us where we need to go.

May your love be

the lens that enables us to see, the power that enlivens our lives, the light that points to the path,

and the grace that saves us.

Kindly suffuse us with your love. Amen.

\*Hymn 437

Help Us Accept Each Other

**Beck** 

### Scripture Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had left the Saducees speechless, they gathered together, and one of them, an expert on the Law, attempted to trick Jesus with this question: "Teacher, which commandment of the Law is the greatest?"

Jesus answered:

"You must love the Most High God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind."

That is the greatest and first commandment. The second is like it: 'You must love your neighbor as yourself.'

On these two commandments the whole Law is based—and the Prophets as well."

**Anthem** You're Called by Name, Forever Loved<sup>+</sup> Kevin Hackett

## **Prayers of the People**

Abba God, 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not unto temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.