Welcome and Announcements



*Call to Worship

Leader: Christ invites and welcomes us; **People: We come to sit at Jesus' feet.**Leader: There is need of only one thing:

People: Let us not be distracted during this sacred time.

*Hymn # 324 – For All the Faithful Women

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Christ our Savior, we are worried and distracted by many things. Our minds wander. Our apathy reigns. We prefer to focus on ourselves than on you. Forgive our lack of attention. Forgive us for not prioritizing you and attending to you. Humbly, we sit at your feet and ask for your grace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Luke 10:38-42

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Distracted Faith

Affirmation of Faith: The Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ,
Fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Sunday, July 17th

Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

Special Music

Prayers of the People

The 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; 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 # 543 – God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

*Charge and Benediction

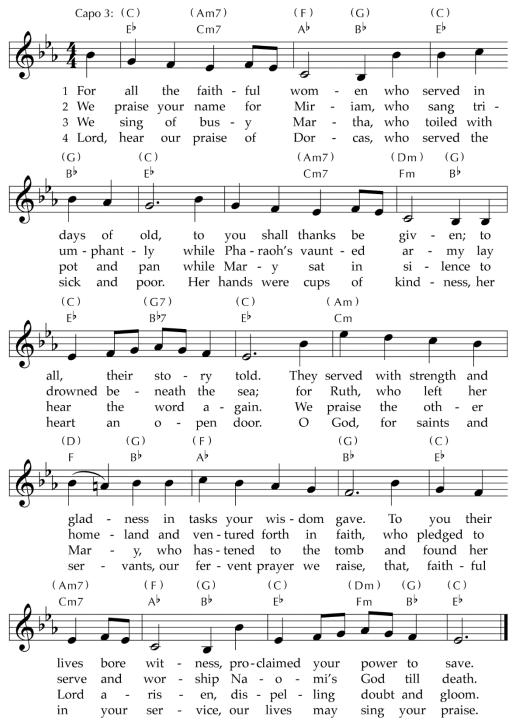
*Congregational Response: Hymn # 606 – Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Postlude

THE CHURCH

324 For All the Faithful Women



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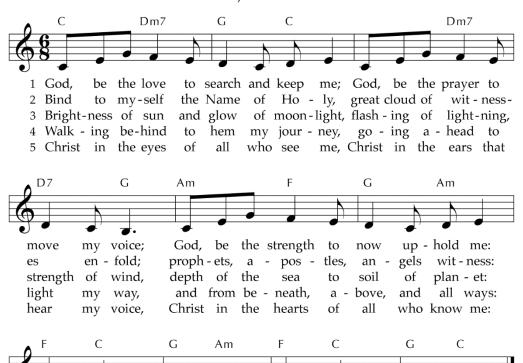
Created to honor the tenth anniversary of the first ordination of a woman in the Lutheran Church in America, this text celebrates representative women of the Bible: Miriam and Ruth from Hebrew Scripture, Mary, Martha, and Mary Magdalene from the gospels, and Dorcas from Acts.

SENDING

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

543

O Christ, Surround Me



O

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Christ, sur-round

me.

This hymn is a 21st-century adaptation of the traditional Celtic prayer style known as a *lorica* (Latin for "armor" or "breastplate"). Many such petitions for God's presence and protection were never written down, but this one is based on an example attributed to St. Patrick.

Christ, sur-round