MUSICAL RESPONSE

Don't Be Afraid

Don't be afraid, my love is stronger, my love is stronger than your fear. Don't be afraid, my love is stronger and I have promised, promised to be always near. (repeat)

- Eucharist -

INVITATION TO OFFERING OFFERING *DOXOLOGY #607 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen. ***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** You have shown us, O God, the sacrifice that you desire. Now use these gifts— and use our lives to liberate the oppressed, to break the bonds of injustice, to feed the hungry, welcome the poor, and unite the human family; all in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. **INVITATION TO THE TABLE GREAT THANKSGIVING BREAKING OF THE BREAD** The gifts of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God. **COMMUNION COMMUNION MUSIC** Holy and Anointed One ***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Joshua Allen

— Sending —

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How Great Thou Art



*HYMN #625

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	Honoring Creation,
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Bible p. 632, LG p. 823

Bible p. 187, LG p. 242

— Gathering —

Taste and See

Rev. Michele Goff **WELCOME** Liturgist: John Tieken ***CALL TO WORSHIP** God makes a way out of no way. God sees our tears and turns them into joy. God makes the impossible possible and sees the desperate needs of all people. Come close, healing Lord, and receive our worship. *PRAYER OF THE DAY *HYMN #201 A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar **CALL TO CONFESSION** Why are you so extravagant, O God? We work hard, use our intelligence, keep our ledgers balanced, accomplish feats daily, care for our families, and honor our inherited legacies. Is this not enough to earn our place among the favored? Yet you throw open windows and doors, revealing a vision we do not possess, where accomplishments don't count, where tears reap joy, where peace is found in suffering, where confidence is gained by giving away what is ours to treasure. Show us again what matters. Forgive our misplaced values, and draw us into your extravagance, that we, too, might be generous with our love.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS Say it with joy! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

- Word -

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 43:16-21 O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

PRELUDE

Hear the word of the Lord.

All of this is from God, who entrusts us with the message of reconciliation.

Thanks be to God.

Philippians 3:4-14

GOSPEL

The word of God for us.

The wisdom of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

SERMON ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE **Costly Perfume**

Rev. Michele Goff

— Response —

ANTHEM

My Worth is Not in What I Own

Ensemble

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – *Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Jesus, remember us when you come into your kingdom. Your kingdom come, *your will be done...* fill our bodies with the life that is Christ within us. In his holy name we pray. *Amen.*

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven... debts/debtors...glory forever. Amen.

Bible p. 100, LG p. 129

John 12:1-8