

**Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)**

**O God, we thank you for uniting us by baptism in the body of Christ and by this meal filling us with joy and hope. Grant that in the days ahead our lips which have sung your praises may speak the truth, our eyes which have seen your love may look with compassion on the needs of the world, our hands which have held this bread and cup may be active in your service. We ask it in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Offering our Gifts to God's Service**

*(Please sign & pass the Welcome Sheets)*

**Invitation**

**Offertory**

**\* The Doxology #780**

**\* Prayer of Dedication**

**We offer now these gifts and pray that you will bless them as they bring about your ministry of life, love, peace and hope in Christ's name. Amen.**

**\* Closing Hymn "Community of Christ" #314**

**\* Benediction**

**\* Postlude**



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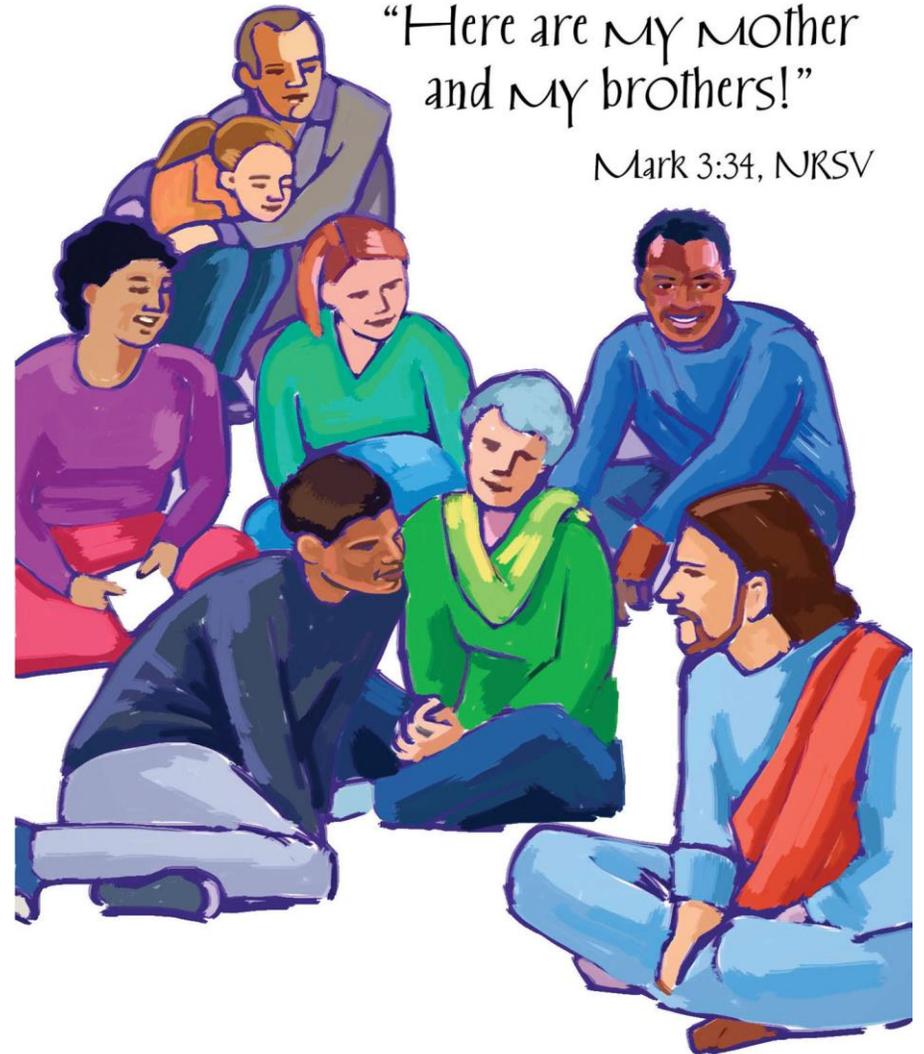
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Looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers!"

Mark 3:34, NRSV



*Zion United Church of Christ*  
*Le Sueur, Minnesota*  
*Pastor Rosemary Rocha*  
*Sunday, June 6, 2021*

**Prelude**

Betty Jo Braun

**Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

L: In all times and in all places, God is with us.

**P: God's love flows over and around us, lifting us in hope.**

L: Shout for joy!

**P: Sing praises to God!**

L: Get ready to become disciples for Jesus.

**P: Lord, make us ready to serve you. AMEN.**

**\*HYMN** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You" #4

**\* Prayer of Confession** *(from Beth Merrill Neal)*

**Sometimes, O God, we forget people, or we toss them aside – the difficult ones, the needy ones, the ones that are hard to spend time with, the ones who confront us. And sometimes when we do things like that, it's not really about the other people, but about us. We are uncomfortable, or we feel guilty, or we follow brighter, shinier people, or we worry about what will make us look good. We are in such desperate need of your forgiveness. We need to be forgiven for our sin, for our mistakes, for mistaking what the world values with what you value. Help us to be better, and to see more clearly, and to care more thoroughly. In Christ we pray. Amen.**

**Words of Assurance**

One: Friends, hear this Good News: the love of God is beyond measure, and we are included in that love. Know that you and I are forgiven and thus freed to love and serve.

**All: Alleluia! Amen.**

**\* The Gloria Patri** (tune & alternative text) # 759

Traditional Text:

"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be;  
world without end. Amen. Amen."

**Children's Sermon**

*(Please pass prayer requests to center aisle.)*

**Scripture Readings**

Mark 3:20-35

*Scripture Reader: Cindy Braun*

**Sermon**

*Belonging to the Family of Christ* Pastor Rosemary

**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.**

**Order for Holy Communion**

Invitation

**Hymn** "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" #347

**The Apostle's Creed** (in unison)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, 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 Spirit; the one holy universal Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup