

The Church at Worship

**Those who are able are invited to stand.*

Congregational responses and unison readings are indicated in bold.

The Gathering

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, may we be grateful for our lot, and compassionate toward all those who are suffering every kind of distress. May we hold back nothing and hasten to be the ministers of prayer and mercy, like the disciples of Him who went about doing good in times of need. Speak to us this morning and give us both the words and the tools to do your work. In your Son Jesus' name, Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP *(based on Ephesians 4:1-6)*

Leader: Let us live a life worthy of the calling to which we have been called,
Let us live with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

People: **bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.**

Leader: There is one body and one Spirit,
just as we were called to the one hope of our calling,

People: **just as we were called to the one hope of our calling,**

Leader: one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

People: **one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.**

Leader: Let us worship God!
For the Lord is good; God's steadfast love endures forever, and God's faithfulness to all generations.

ALL: **For the Lord is good; God's steadfast love endures forever, and God's faithfulness to all generations.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE *How Great Thou Art* SJ # 16

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jesus calls us to enter the joy of discipleship, the joy of following in his way. But sin clings closely, and we struggle to respond fully to Christ's invitation. Let us seek God's forgiveness so that we may know more deeply the joy God intends.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, in Jesus, we have seen your glory. Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ. We are quick to accuse and slow to confess. We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings. We have squandered your gifts. We have turned from your ways. We have ignored your Word. Have mercy on us, compassionate God. Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives. Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace that day by day we might move closer to the people you would us be. Amen.

(Moment for silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Relentlessly God seeks us out. With abundant grace and boundless mercy, God seeks us out. This is good news!
People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen!**

The Response to Forgiveness

**Gloria Patri* #620

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ which passes all understanding be with you all.
All: **And also with you.**

(Please turn to those around you and extend the hand of peace and friendship)

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *Be Thou My Vision* SJ # 400 vs. 1 & 2

The Word

SCRIPTURE Exodus 16:1-19, John 6:32-33 & 41-59

SERMON *"Jesus – Bread of Life"*
RE Louan Pyron

The Response

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostle's 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.

The Eucharist

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**DOXOLOGY* # 623

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The Sending

*CLOSING HYMN *The Wonder of it All* SJ # 320

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE *God Be With You* #583

POSTLUDE

Congregational Care

Irene Booth, aunt of Louan Pyron; Rosemary Harris and her helper Linda; Ethan, friend of Nebe; Alex Lanphear; Lee Franklin Laster & wife, Darlene; Emma Lollar; Jan Pennington; Terry Thomas, the Rev. Tracy Williams; those unable to attend church and those serving in the military, as missionaries and in works of mercy and relief around the world and their families.

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