



PRELUDE *For All the Saints*
- Ian Alvarez, brass solo

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

The invitation is given to every person by Jesus Christ:
"Come to me! Follow me!"

**We come to this place and to this time,
at the invitation of Jesus Christ.**

In the name of Jesus Christ,

we praise our God and celebrate God's goodness.

In the midst of a world that can sometimes be cruel,

we proclaim the God of compassion and kindness.

Where there is despair that threatens to cause
discouragement
to lives and communities,

we proclaim the God of hope.

In the midst of indifference and apathy,

we proclaim the God of love.

Come, let us worship together
and praise the Light of the World, Jesus Christ,
who calls us to follow him into the world
and proclaim God's lovingkindness.

HYMN #314 *Christ, Be Our Light*

PRAYER OF PRAISE

With you, gracious God,
we move into this time of worship,
grateful that you are never farther
than the reach of our need and our prayer.
You who tower over the universe
are yet intimately present,
always renewing the face of the earth,
always renewing the faith of your children.
Now, in your goodness, make your way past
all that worries and distracts us
to speak to us anew and to center
our simple worship on your goodness.

RESPONSE #710 *We Are an Offering*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

**Holy God, hear our prayer.
Sometimes our lives are a mess,
because of choices we have made or
because of choices others have made.
Sometimes our lives are great,
and we're kind and generous.
Sometimes our lives are great
and we forget to be to grateful and humble.
We trust that in the jumble of all of this,
you are present. We trust that you are with us,
walking with us when we stray,
nudging us back to the right path,
slowing us down when we get ahead of you,
and patiently waiting for us when we lag behind.
So we thank you, and ask for your mercy,
and pray that you will stay with us
throughout the journey.**

(silent prayer and reflection)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

There is no wrong that God cannot make right.
There is no chasm that can separate us from God's
love.
The Lord is patient and kind, generous and good.
God will not forsake you or leave you.
Turn to the Lord with confidence
and put your faith in God's great mercy.
By the power of Jesus Christ, we are made whole.

Thanks be to God!

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN #463 *How Firm a Foundation*

SCRIPTURE READINGS Isaiah 55:6-11 and 2Timothy 3:16-17

MESSAGE Reading the Bible for All Its Worth

HYMN #450 *Be Thou My Vision*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your 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 yours is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory
now and forever. Amen.

HYMN #771 *What is the World Like*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Trust & Obey*
- Ian Alvarez, chimes solo