

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and worship, all you who seek the Lord—long-timers and new-comers, the young, the older, and the in-between. Come as you are, for this is God's house— a house of prayer for all people, and God welcomes each one who comes. Come, praise God together and celebrate the One whose heart overflows with love and blessings.

HYMN #263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Great is God, and worthy of praise! God's goodness knows no limit; God's faithfulness toward us is boundless!

God, your majesty and glory surround us here. We've come together to celebrate your presence, and to have our lives renewed in worship. We've come to rejoice in your mighty acts, and to retell the story of your goodness throughout history and in our own lives.

Move among us as we worship together; may your Spirit guide and inspire our thoughts and actions as we spend this time in your presence.

RESPONSE #619 Praise My Soul, the God of Heaven

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

Gracious God, source of all life, Lord of mercy and grace, hear our prayer.

We come before you in need of healing: the healing of our bodies and souls,

the healing of our relationships, the healing of our pride and fear and apathy.

We know that with you, nothing is impossible, not even our healing, not even the restoration of the whole world. We pray that you will heal us, that you will heal our world, so that we will be freed to serve and love and dream and be, as Christ calls us.

(silent prayer and reflection)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

In this place we find God's word, God's way, God's love, God's forgiveness, God's call to love our neighbor. What more do we need to sustain us as we continue as pilgrims along the Way?

In every wilderness, on every road; in every moment, in every journey, we receive the daily bread we need—God's hope, God's mercy, God's joy.
Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN #749 Come, Live in the Light

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 145:8-19 Mark 5:1-20

MESSAGE Authority, Community, and Identity

HYMN #42 Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

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 #434 Restore in Us, O God

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE