



PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP—based on Matthew 11:28-30

We join together this day to worship,

because Jesus invites us to come!

We come as we are,
with our faith and our doubts,
with our successes and our failures,

because Jesus invites us to come!

We come with what we have,
bringing with us the events and experiences
of this past week,

because Jesus invites us to come.

We come to his table of grace.

because Jesus invites us to come.

*Jesus said, "Come to me,
all you that are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me;
for I am gentle and humble in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls."*

Let's worship God together!

HYMN #401 *Here in This Place*

PRAYER OF PRAISE—based on Matthew 11:28-30

In times of weakness and hour of need,
yours is the strength by which we carry on,
the shoulder we rest our head upon.
When our load is heavy
and too much to bear,
yours are the arms stretched out to help us
the grace that we depend on.
In times of weakness and hour of need,
your voice is heard,
'Come... find rest.'
This is grace divine,
the path we tread to wholeness
of body and spirit,
the path that leads to you,
and for which we offer our offering of praise.

RESPONSE #175 *Seek Ye First*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

Loving God, when it comes to faith
we can say all the correct words,
but sometimes we leave our hearts behind.
We have sometimes kept ourselves busy
and trying too hard.
But for many,
self-sufficiency has left exhaustion in its
wake,
and we are left anxious and bereft.
We give up trying to get our act together!
We come to you now, as you have
summoned us.
Show us your heart and train us in humility.
We ask for insight to see
and to seize opportunities for rest.
Thank you, gentle Savior.

(time for silent prayers and reflection)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

On mountaintops and in valleys,
in our homes and in our hearts,
God knows us better than we know ourselves,
and God does for us
what we cannot do for ourselves.

**By God's mercy, we are forgiven;
by God's mercy, we are made whole;
by God's mercy, we have peace;
by God's mercy we are equipped
to serve others.**

Thanks be to God!

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN #187 *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

SPECIAL MUSIC *Je Te Laisserai Des Mots*
(*I Will Leave You with These*
Words),

- by Patrick Watson
- Adaline Chapple, pianist

SCRIPTURE READINGS Luke 18:9-14 and Matthew
5:3

MESSAGE Learning to See as God Sees:
Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit

HYMN #501 *Feed Us, Lord*

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

MOMENT FOR MISSION Center for
Human Services
- *Tracy Little*

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.***

SENDING SONG #748 *Go with Us, Lord*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Hope*, by Adaline Chapple
- Adaline Chapple, pianist

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." John
20:21