



PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

This new day is fresh with possibility to encounter the living God.

With bright eyes, let us search.

This new day is fresh with possibility to understand the living God.

With engaged minds, let us ponder.

This new day is fresh with possibility to be moved by the living God.

With compassionate hearts, let us feel.

This new day is fresh with possibility to respond to the living God.

With steadfast devotion, let us follow.

This new day is fresh with possibility to serve the living God.

With humble intention, let us act.

This new day is fresh with possibility to praise the living God.

With voices raised, let us sing.

HYMN #14 *For the Beauty of the Earth*

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Christ Jesus,
we come into your presence
from many different places.
We come with songs of joy
and shouts of gratitude.
We come carrying heavy burdens
and sighs of struggling.
As you welcome us into your house,
lift our burdens
and receive our praise.
Salt us with your grace
and flavor us with your mercy.
Bind us together,
that we may be at peace with one another
and be strengthened to go forth
in service to the world. Amen.

RESPONSE #821 *My Life Flows On*

OPENING OUR HEARTS TO GOD

We come before you,
God of mercy and compassion,
admitting that we do not always love our
neighbor as you taught.
Sometimes we compare ourselves to others
and criticize them,
sometimes we look upon others in judgment.
When we have been hurt
or frustrated by others, we confess that
forgiveness and reconciliation
at times seem impossible for us.

We trust that nothing is impossible with you!

So, we come to you

seeking healing and wholeness.

Help us, whenever possible,

to live in peace with others.

Teach us to love

with your forgiving, reconciling love.

(time for silent prayers and reflection)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Nothing is impossible with God!

There is no place you can go,

where God's mercy and grace will not follow.

There is nothing on earth or beyond death

that can separate you from the love of God

in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

HYMN #767 *Together We Serve*

SCRIPTURE READINGS Romans 12:9-18, 21, and
Luke 6:27-38

MESSAGE The Way of Love

HYMN #753 *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

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 #541 *God Be with You Till We Meet Again*

BENEDICTION

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

