

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **WELCOME**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come!

Come and worship, you who woke early and you who slept late; you who come often, and you who don't. Whatever happened this week, or this morning; wherever we find ourselves on life's journey, whatever age or stage of life, there is room for all of us in God's kingdom, and more than enough grace to go around. Let's worship God together!

## **HYMN #401** Here in this Place

#### **PRAYER OF PRAISE**

Here we are Lord!

We come from the busyness of our daily lives from the hubbub of our work and play from the hue and cry of the world around us, we come to praise you with open hearts. In this hour, we long to meet you, to feel your presence surrounding us, guiding us, loving us.

We long to settle into peace, laying aside our worries and our cares, aware of your presence around us, before us, behind us, within us.

Come, Lord Jesus.

**RESPONSE #184** *Calm to the Waves* (sung through twice)

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

Gracious God, we confess that we are not always able to see your handiwork in the people and things around us. We do not always see your image in our neighbors, and we do not always see your creative fingerprints in the good things in our world. Our eyes and our hearts are distracted by busyness and self-concern, and we too often take our limited perspectives for granted. Transform our eyes and hearts, so we may see you for the magnificent God that you are, and acknowledge your presence in others and in creation.

Help us to see and live according to Jesus's vision and life. Hear our prayers as we continue our confession in silence...

(time for silent prayers and reflection)

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Friends in Christ, hear the good news: God, the merciful one, delivers you, in steadfast love, from the power of sin. God grants you the mind of Christ to discern the good in others, and to see the glory of God. In Christ your faith will not fail you, but will sustain you in all things.

In Jesus Christ you are forgiven and made free. Be at peace, and live as God's ambassadors of reconciliation in the world.

Thanks be to God!

## **PASSING THE PEACE**

**HYMN #19** God of Great and God of Small

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 2

Luke 10:38-42

MESSAGE God Is Bigger

- Rev. Adrienne Schlosser-Hall

**HYMN #275** A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

#### 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 #543 God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

## **BENEDICTION**

#### **POSTLUDE**

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