



**PRELUDE** *Peace in the Valley*

**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.**

Where there is despair that threatens to swallow up  
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 our Savior, Jesus Christ,  
who calls us to follow him into the world  
and proclaim God's lovingkindness.

**HYMN #667** *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

**PRAYER OF PRAISE**—from Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37

God's faithful love endures for ever and ever.

**Because of God's everlasting goodness,  
we offer God our thanks and praise.**

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**Because of God's care and concern for humanity,  
we offer God our thanks and praise.**

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**Because of God's transforming grace,  
we affirm, as a community of faith, our trust in  
God,  
and we offer God our thanks and praise.**

**RESPONSE** (insert) *Day by Day and with Each  
Passing Moment*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION**

**God of shalom, we have built up walls to protect  
ourselves from our those we consider as enemies,  
but those walls also shut us off from receiving your  
love. Break down those walls. Help us to see that  
the way to your heart is through the reconciliation  
of our own hearts with those with whom we differ.  
Bless them and us, that we may come to grow in  
love for each other and for you, through Jesus Christ,  
the Prince of Peace.**

(silent prayer and reflection)

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**— from Psalm 27:13-14

*I am still confident of this:  
we will see the goodness of the Lord  
in the land of the living.  
Wait for the Lord;  
be strong and take heart  
and wait for the Lord.*

Friends, know the goodness of God who forgives,  
restores, and supplies all of our needs.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
Be at peace, love the Lord your God,  
and serve your neighbor.

**Thanks be to God!**

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**HYMN #839** *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Galatians 6:7-10  
Luke 6:27-35

**MESSAGE** The Fruit of the Spirit:  
Kindness and Goodness

**HYMN #693** *The Gift of Love*

**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 #700** *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** *We Are Marching in the Light of God*

