

**PRELUDE** 

**WELCOME** 

**CALL TO WORSHIP**—Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

- Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.
- <sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord is God.

  It is he who made us, and we are his;
  we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
- <sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.
- <sup>5</sup> For the Lord is good and his love endures forever:

his faithfulness continues through all generations.

HYMN #35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

#### **PRAYER OF PRAISE**

O God who is greater
than the most powerful forces in this world,
enable us to be still and know that you are God.
O Lord who answers out of the whirlwind
of everyday life,
breathe in us your Holy Spirit
to strengthen, comfort, and guide us
in the midst of the storms of life.

O still, small voice, speak to us this hour that we might become makers of your peace in our homes, in our communities, in our world. We pray all this in the name of the One who calmed the raging sea. Amen.

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

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

Creator God, how easy it is to forget your presence and power in our lives. Surrounded by the sounds of outrage and bad news, we have trouble listening to your whispers of hope and grace. Distracted by daily tasks or fears, we miss out on the beauty that is emerging before our eyes in the world around us. May your forgiving and renewing love open our eyes to see and our ears to hear, that we may be strengthened in faith, hope and love.

(silent prayer and reflection)

# WORDS OF ASSURANCE—based on Isaiah 40:28-31

Haven't you heard?
The good news is this:
God never tires out, God is always with us,
God heals us with mercy,
God strengthens us for service.

The One who numbers the stars knows each of us by name.
Thanks be to God,
we are known and loved and renewed!

### **PASSING THE PEACE**

HYMN (insert) O the Deep, Deep, Love of Jesus

SCRIPTURE READINGS Isaiah 55:6-12a Mark 4:35-41

**MESSAGE** This Too Shall Pass - Rev. Dianna Kunce

HYMN #819 Be Still, My Soul

**CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION** 

## 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 #697 Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated

**BENEDICTION** 

**POSTLUDE**