



**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**—from Psalm 95:1-7

*Come, let us sing to the Lord;  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!*

*Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of  
praise!*

*For the Lord is a great God,  
our great King.*

*In his hand are the depths of the earth;  
the heights of the mountains are his also.*

*The sea is his, for he made it,  
and the dry land, which his hands have formed.*

*O come, let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.*

**HYMN #267** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

**EXPRESSIONS OF THANKSGIVING**

**RESPONSE #609** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings  
Flow*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION**

God of creation and compassion, we turn to you,  
aware that you share our heartache about the many  
schisms in our nation and world. We ask for healing  
that we might cease fighting and arguing over the  
inconsequential and keep our focus on your dreams  
for humanity. Forgive our own selfishness, greed,  
and pettiness. Forgive our failure to see the amazing  
all around us.

Open our hearts and minds to welcome your  
gracious presence, moment by moment, day by day,  
that we can be the people your divine breath  
animated us to be.

(silent prayer and reflection)

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Even in the face of fear and despair,  
even in the face of rebellion and ingratitude,  
even in the face of struggle,  
God's grace knows no bounds.  
We are forgiven,  
we are called back into relationship,  
we are set back on the path that leads to the reign of  
God.

**Thanks be to God!**

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**HYMN #268** *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** I Corinthians 1:26–2:5  
John 18:33-40

**MESSAGE** Power Through Weakness

**HYMN #269** *Lead On, O King Eternal*

**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 #265** *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**