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Bold italics indicate the work of the people. *Indicates places to stand if able to.

PRELUDE PROCESSIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS MOMENT OF SILENCE IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

When the world divides us. Come Holy Spirit, make us one. When the world calls us orphaned, Come Holy Spirit, make us a family When the world leads us astray. Come Holy Spirit, call us home Come, Holy Spirit, come. Come and fill this place.

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Gracious God, make us instruments of your grace. Weave us into a community that shows forth your power and tenderness. Bless us and our differences and under gird our courage to stand together. Lead us to better know and glorify you on each step of the journey of our lives. In Jesus Christ, let us breathe deeply of the love of God. Amen.

*HYMN OF GATHERING

(see insert)

*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess to you, O God, that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. We

have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways in the glory of your holy name Amen

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

God forgives us and will lead us to the fullness of eternal life. In Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

*A Gloria

From all that dwells below the skies, Let the Creator's praise arise! Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Redeemer's name be sung, Let God the Spirit loose each tongue! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SPECIAL MUSIC

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

(see insert)

SERMON

HYMN (see insert)

PRAYERS

Sharing of Joys and Concerns **Prayers of Intercession** Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever Amen. Prayer Response

*DOXOLOGY AND PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. (sung to the tune of Old 100th)

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

With gratitude for all that you provide, dear God, and to the service of the world you love so much, we dedicate these gifts and our lives to you, in Jesus name. Amen

COMMUNION

(1st Sunday of the Month)

*CLOSING HYMN

(see insert)

*BENEDICTION

Sung Response

(to the tune of Edelweiss)

May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever, grant you peace, perfect peace, strength in every endeavor; lift up your eyes and then see his face, and his grace forever; May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever.

POSTLUDE

(Please remain seated for the Postlude)

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