

*Welcome to worship! Activity bags for children are available on the book shelf in the lobby if your little one would like to pack a bag of items to play with during worship. Children are always welcome in sanctuary, but a staffed nursery is also available at the end of the hall for any babies, toddlers, and preschoolers who prefer more space to wiggle and play. Large print bulletins are available near the entrance and hearing assistance devices are available at the sound board for those who need them. May God meet you here in this space as we worship together today!*

\* indicates you are invited to stand

**Bold text** indicates a unison prayer or response

## PRELUDE

## GREETING

### CALL TO PRAISE AND PRAYER

Leader: Get ready! The Lord needs you.

**People: We are ready to serve God.**

Leader: Be prepared to serve in ministries  
of justice and peace.

**People: We are ready to serve God by helping others.**

Leader: Open your hearts, your souls, your minds to  
God's mercy and love.

**People: Prepare us for service to you, O loving God.  
Amen.**

### \*OPENING SONGS

"Jesus, Draw Me Close"

Faith We Sing # 2159

"All I Need Is You"

Faith We Sing # 2080

## OPENING PRAYER

**Creator God, maker of stars and seashores, reveal your word to us this day in which all things were made. Redeemer God, caller of disciples, light our lamps this day, dress us for action, and open the doors of our hearts and minds. Sustainer God, sender of the Holy Spirit, renew in us the faith of our ancestors, that we might claim it as our own in covenant with you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Luke 12:32-40

## MESSAGE

"Forward-Looking Faith"

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayer

The 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## PRAYER HYMN

"Through It All"

Hymnal # 507

## OFFERING OF GRATITUDE

### \*DOXOLOGY

Hymnal # 94

## OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God, you offer us unfailing treasure in heaven. In love and gratitude for your gifts to us, we return these gifts and offerings to you. Use them and stretch them to ease the plight of the poor and the widow, the orphan and the downtrodden. Use and stretch us, that we may do good, seek justice, and be your light in the world. **Amen.**

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION Hymnal p. 14

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right...and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you...as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## \*CLOSING HYMN

"Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom" Hymnal # 508

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

## POSTLUDE



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