**Chimes**

**Greeting**

L: As you enter this sacred space, may you be renewed by the steadfast love of God. May your spirit be filled with the Spirit of Christ, and may you sing praises and give glory to God.

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Sharing the Life of the Church**

-   Bixby Towers

- Small Groups

- Israel Trip Feb 1-10, 2022

**\*Invitation to Worship**

L: In all times and in all places, God is with us.

**P: God’s love flows over and around us, lifting us in hope.**

L: Shout for joy!

**P: Sing praises to God!**

L: Get ready to become disciples for Jesus.

**P: Lord, make us ready to serve you. AMEN.**

**\*Opening Hymn** Come, Thou Almighty King UMH #61

**\*Opening Prayer**

Loving God, some of us come to this place full of anticipation and joy, others come weary and tired. And some of us come here today wondering why we are even here. Renew us in your Holy Spirit. Remind us that your steadfast love follows us wherever we go. Increase our faith, that we may not lose heart or become burdened by the challenges of life. Help us hear again the words of Christ: “Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.” We are yours, O God. Thank you for claiming us as your own. In the name of Christ, your Son and our Savior, we pray. Amen.

**Special Music**

**Scripture                             1 Samuel 8:4-22**

**4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, 5 and said to him, “You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.” 6 But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to govern us.” Samuel prayed to the Lord, 7 and the Lord said to Samuel, “Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. 8 Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. 9 Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.”**

**10 So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. 11 He said, “These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; 12 and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. 13 He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. 14 He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. 15 He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. 16 He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. 17 He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. 18 And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day.”**

***Israel’s Request for a King Granted***

**19 But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! but we are determined to have a king over us, 20 so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.” 21 When Samuel had heard all the words of the people, he repeated them in the ears of the Lord. 22 The Lord said to Samuel, “Listen to their voice and set a king over them.” Samuel then said to the people of Israel, “Each of you return home.”**

**Response:**

L: The word of God for the people of God.

         **P: Thanks be to God!**

**Message** You Want a King? You Can’t Handle a King!

**\*Response** You Are My King (Amazing Love) W&S #3102

 V, C, V, C, B 4x, C, Close (Doug will lead in key of D) See attached Chord Chart at end of service.

**Holy Communion**

**Communion Litany**

L: When our hearts are grieving, crying out in distress

**P: The Lord hears our cries.**

L: When our spirits are wandering, lost and afraid

**P: The Lord seeks and finds us.**

L: When our days seem filled with anger and hopelessness

**P: The Lord brings comfort and peace to us.**

L: When we don’t think we have anything to offer to God.

**P: God produces miracles in our lives that can serve others.**

L: When we need to know that God is with us.

**P: God is present in all the earth.**

L: For all the ways in which God blesses our lives,

**P: We give thanks and praise!**

L: For the people who have taught and guided us, who have shown us the right paths of God,

**P: We give thanks and praise!**

L: For the wonderful things which we have seen and the things yet to come,

**P: We give thanks and praise to God! AMEN.**

**Offering**

-   *Offertory Sentence: We have come to give praise to God and to say thank you for all that God has given us. In thanksgiving and praise, let us bring our gifts before God.*

-   *Offertory*

-   *Doxology*

-   *Offertory Prayer: Almighty Creator, you have blessed us with abundant life and steadfast love. We offer these gifts to you, asking that your Holy Spirit will bless them and use them to shower grace and love upon our brothers and sisters, both near and far. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.*

**\*Closing Hymn** All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name UMH #154

**\*Benediction**

**Chord Chart: You Are My King**

Verse:

D/F# G Asus A D/F# G Asus A

I’m forgiven, because you were forsaken, I’m accepted, you were condemned

D/F# G   Asus A G   Asus D

I’m alive and well, your Spirit is within me, because you died and rose again.

Chorus:

D/F#   G D/F# A

Amazing love, how can it be? That you, my King, would die for me?

D/F#   G D/F#     Asus        A  G   Asus   D/F#

Amazing love, I know it’s true. And it’s my joy to honor you, in all I do, I honor you.

Bridge:

D/F# G D/F# G

You are my King. You are my King.

D/F# G D/F# G

You are my King, Jese, You are my King.

(2x)