

CHURCH OF CHRIST UNITING

A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.
and the United Methodist Church

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 21, 2021, 9:15 am

Prelude

Welcoming

Call to Worship

Leader: Come to worship Jesus Christ, Alpha and Omega,
the one who is, who was, and who is to come!

**People: We come to worship the one who rules with
justice!**

Leader: Come to worship Jesus Christ, the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead, the ruler of the kings of the earth!

**People: We come to worship the bread of heaven, God
with us!**

Leader: Come to worship Jesus Christ, the good shepherd,
the true vine!

**People: We come to worship the eternal word, the
great I Am!**

Leader: Come to worship the wonderful counselor, the
prince of peace!

**People: We come to worship Jesus Christ, King of
Kings and Lord of Lords!**

**All: To God be the glory and dominion forever and
ever! Amen.**

Opening Hymn: Gather Us In 2236

Announcements

Time with God's Children

Choral Anthem

Prayer of Confession

**Lord, we have come a long way in our journey
towards you. We have been witnesses to the work
you are accomplishing in our world, in our
community, and in our church. You are building
something wonderful in our presence and you have
invited us to be part of the new things you are doing.
Too often we take the role of observer, the one who
waits to see what good things you are doing. Help
us get out of the observer role and into the
partnership role, so that we can come alongside you
and participate in the new creation. Lord, convict us
so that we get involved in rebuilding that which has
been lost and refocus us so that our prime
motivation in life is getting involved in your creation
work. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon with the Gloria Patri (Hymnal #70)

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your
kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in
heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us
our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from**

evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

First Scripture Lesson: Hebrews 12:1-3

Hymn: I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath 60

Second Scripture Lesson: Acts 15:12-21

Sermon: Rebuild and Refocus

Affirmation of Faith

Leader: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution of famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

All: No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Blessing the Offering (offerings can be placed in our offering box in the rear of the sanctuary or using our online giving platform at rschurchofchristuniting.com)

Hymn: Rejoice, the Lord is King 715

Benediction

