

☞ Indicates where those who are able may stand.
Hearing devices are available in the narthex for those who need them.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude Patricia Hart

Greeting and Announcements

☞ **Call to Worship** Liturgist
One: Grace and peace to you from the One who is, who always was, and who is still to come—
ALL: the Alpha and Omega—the beginning and the end.
One: This is our God—
ALL: the One who loves us, and who gave himself for us; who gathers us together in this place, and bids us seek his face.
One: Let's worship God together!

☞ **Opening Song** #1 in purple hymnal
"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

☞ **Prayer of Confession** Liturgist
ALL: We have trouble believing in a King in our lives. Yet, this day we are called to recognize Jesus Christ as the King of our lives, our sovereign ruler. His kingdom is based on the laws of love; loving God as God has truly loved us and loving our neighbor as we ourselves want to be loved. Jesus, our sovereign ruler, our friend, our Master and Guide has asked us to reach out to feed the hungry; give drink to the thirsty; clothe the naked, visit the sick and those imprisoned; welcome the stranger. These words are not unfamiliar to us, yet somehow we have treated them as nice words but not an active part of our life of faith. Forgive us, Lord, for the meagerness of our faith and the weakness of our witness. Rule our lives again with your powerful love, that we might truly be worthy disciples of yours. Help us to find the forgiveness which you have given to us, and to do your will. Amen.

☞ **Assurance of Forgiveness** Psalm 1:1-2
One: Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked
ALL: or stand in the way that sinners take
One: or sit in the company of mockers,
ALL: but whose delight is in the law of the Lord,
One: and who meditates on his law day and night. Friends – Believe the good news...
ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen!

☞ **Gloria Patri** "Glory Be to the Father"

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination Liturgist
ALL: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts and open our minds to hear your word by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Scripture Reading Psalm 95

Second Scripture Reading Revelation 4:1-11

One: The Word of The Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

Reflection "Worship" Pastor Brenda

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

☞ **Responsive Hymn** #41 in purple hymnal
"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above"

Time of Self Offering with Offertory

☩ Doxology “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

☩ Prayer of Dedication

ALL: As we bring our offerings to you, we give back to you from the abundant blessings you have given us. May our gifts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord our God. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor, and power and strength, be unto you our God forever and ever. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Prayers of the People with The Lord’s Prayer

ALL: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

SENDING THE CHURCH INTO THE WORLD WITH THE WORD

☩ Song of Sending #268 in purple hymnal
“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

☩ Benediction Pastor Brenda

☩ Response #765 in purple hymnal
“May the God of Hope Go with Us”

Postlude Patricia Hart



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