

††† 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: The Lord calls us today to be people of justice and mercy.

**ALL: Our worship is hollow if it focuses only on our own gratification.**

One: The Lord asks that our words of hope become actions of peace.

**ALL: Thanks be to God who challenges and calls us.**

One: Let our ministry together bring peace and justice.

**ALL: Let our lives reflect God's love and mercy. Amen.**

††† Opening Song

#1 in purple hymnal

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

††† Prayer of Confession

Liturgist

**ALL: Forgiving God, you know how easy it is for us to celebrate with joy the wonders of your love. We create wonderful art to represent the joy we feel. Our music soars to the heavens in praise of you. Yet how often we have left our service to you as mere thoughts and intentions without fulfillment. You ask us to be ready to serve you at any time, but we place our commitment on the "to do" list of life; we will do these things when we get to them. Forgive our hesitancy and our self-serving ways, O Lord. Heal us of the disease of seeking first our own comfort before we engage in acts of justice and mercy. Open our eyes and ears to the cries of those in need. Help us to give and also to receive ministries of love and reconciliation as we serve you with our whole hearts. Then our music, our art, our worship will truly reflect your awesome and abundant love for us. Amen.**

††† Assurance of Forgiveness

One: It is God's good pleasure to give us the kingdom.

**ALL: It is our joy to serve God by helping each other and all those in need.**

One: Be assured of God's tender mercy toward you and continue that love in all that you do. Believe the good news of the Gospel...

**ALL: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and find new life. Amen!**

††† Gloria Patri

“Glory Be to the Father”

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Liturgist

**ALL: O God, give us ears to hear and eyes to see what the Spirit is saying to our church. We want to eat from the tree of life. May we continue to grow into your likeness as we hear your Word. Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Revelation 3:7-13

One: The Word of The Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

Reflection

“Philadelphia”

Pastor Brenda

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

††† Responsive Hymn

#730 in purple hymnal

“I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”

Time of Self Offering with Offertory

Patricia Hart, vocalist

Marion Siebert, pianist

“Savior, More than Life to Me”

††† Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

☩ Prayer of Dedication

**ALL:** Surprising God of mercy and love, thank you for calling to us this day. We praise you that you challenge us to show our faith in ministries of peace and justice, offering compassion to all in need. Open our hearts and minds and our pockets to give toward the building of your glorious Kingdom. We offer our gifts to Jesus Christ. 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 "We Will Go Out with Joy" #539 in purple hymnal

☩ Benediction Pastor Brenda

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

Postlude Patricia Hart

*Those who desire may come forward for anointing prayer.*



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