

PRELUDE Morning Has Broken - David Little, piano

### WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP—based on Isaiah 43:19-21

Come and worship God, who has done great things!

We rejoice in our God, who makes a way through the desert of this world.

Let us worship God, who has causes streams of mercy to flow in the wastelands.

We are the people God has formed through Christ;

we celebrate who God is, and we rejoice!

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

We praise God for the grace that sustains us.

HYMN #619 Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

PRAYER OF PRAISE—based on Luke 11:1-9

Lord, teach us to pray so we might awaken to the wonder of your presence; so we might feel gratitude for your gift of life today; so we might discover your kingdom as revealed in our sisters and brothers, and our neighbors and friends; so we might find safety beneath the shelter of your wings; so we might declare your glory as we gather together. Lord, teach us to pray.

#### **RESPONSE #175** Seek Ye First

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

Gracious God, at times we feel frail and fragile, and blown about by the latest crisis, by bad news, by our own short tempers and failings. You call us to hold fast to what is good, but so often we flounder, unable to find that solid thing that will center us again. Help us, we pray. Help us to see you as our center, and to cling to the good that you create in the world. Help us to set aside our willfulness and waywardness, our criticisms and condemnations, all that adds to the world's hurt. Help us to grow even more into Christ's likeness, that we will bear his love and truth to the world.

(silent prayer and reflection)

# WORDS OF ASSURANCE—based on Philippians 1:6

Friends, know this:

"The One who began a good work in you will bring it to completion." We are all God's work in progress, being renewed, forgiven, healed and restored. Receive God's peace and presence now. Love God and neighbor and thus fulfill God's law.

Thanks be to God!

# PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN (insert) The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy

SCRIPTURE READINGS Revelation 7:9-10 & 21:22-26 Luke 11:1-13

MESSAGE Teach Us to Pray: On Earth as It Is in Heaven

HYMN #771 What Is the World Like

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts,

as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom,

and the power,

and the glory

now and forever. Amen.

HYMN #187 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

### BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE