

July 21, 2024

**Please stand if you are able.*

PRELUDE

Melody Raef

WELCOME

Robert Billcheck

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

from a Call to Worship

Leader: Christ calls to us: "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest awhile."

People: O God, you prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

Leader: You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I shall dwell in God's house my whole life long.

***SONG OF PRAISE**

#482 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

from a Call to Worship

Ever present God, you call us to be your hands in this world. Forgive us for the times we have been afraid to reach out toward those left out or kept away. Help us to recognize the harm we have done in our actions and inactions, and lead us to work toward a different way. You call us to be your feet in this world. Forgive us for the times we have not tread lightly. Guide us to live in harmony with Earth that gives us life instead of treating it as something to be conquered. You call us to live in this world with open hearts. Forgive us for the ways we have closed ourselves off from you. Remind us of your expansive love, that we might recognize your presence everywhere we go. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

***RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE**

#579 Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever and shall be, world without end. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you...**And also with you.**

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

FIRST LESSON

2 Samuel 7:1-14a; Pew Bible p. 245

SECOND LESSON

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56; Pew Bible p. 818

SPECIAL MUSIC

SERMON

"God's Family"

Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SONG OF PREPARATION

#319 Spirit (all verses)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, they 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 thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Elements

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

#592 Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!*

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***SONG OF SENDING** *#280 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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THE SESSION 2024

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Davis Gammon	2024-2026	Jo White	2022-2024
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welcome
to our church family



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To further God's Kingdom on Earth, one soul at a time.