# WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Prelude Greeting Introit Video Announcements Welcome

Call to Worship Jeanine Witkowski

One: We gather as God's beloved children -

All: However glad we are, however out of sorts we are.

One: We come together as a people whom Jesus calls into community -

All: So this becomes a place where all are welcome.

One: We have come to give thanks, to pray and sing, to be with others -

All: Let us worship God.

\*Opening Hymn #162 "Alleluia, Alleluia" Vs. 1, 2 & 4 *Refrain:*Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth He is the King of creation. Repeat refrain

We seek God's strength in love and prayer, Helping and sharing, through God, we care. Repeat refrain

Come, let us praise the living God, Joyfully sing to our Savior. Repeat refrain

\*Opening Prayer

Jeanine Witkowski

Gracious and always loving God, who has satisfied the hungry and quenched the thirst of longing people, grant us now the gift of attentiveness that our eyes may see the favor of your love. Grant us quickness of imagination that we may see the signals of your promise. Grant us warmth of heart that companionship may bind all within this house in peace and love so we may enjoy your wonder and grace. Grant us strength of wisdom so we may bring answers to the hurting world in which we now live. For the sake of Christ, we pray, and for the sake of all humankind. Amen.

\*Please stand as you are able

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#3001 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Vs. 1-3

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace, The triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name, The honors of thy name.

Jesus! The name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.

#### WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time

Louis Perez

Music to Lift Our Spirits "I've Got Peace Like A River"

Sung by "The God-Squad Singers"

Scripture: Matthew 6:11; Philippians 4:6 Jeanine Witkowski Message: You Don't Always Get What You Want Jesse Hodge

# WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Song of Prayer

#394 "Something Beautiful" Sing Twice

Something beautiful, something good; All my confusion he understood; All I had to offer him was brokenness and strife, But he made something beautiful of my life.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

<sup>\*</sup>Please stand as you are able

### Invitation to the Offering

### Offertory

### \*Doxology

Gladly we praise you and bless you, Creator, O God of life. Christ, we adore you and thank you, Compassion of God, our light. Great Holy Spirit, by you we are born from above. Alleluia! Praise the God of blessing! Alleluia! Bless the God of love!

#### \*Prayer of Dedication

Jeanine Witkowski

We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us. In the upside down world of the gospel, we measure our wealth not by what we have, but what we can give away. Let us give away generously, in this offering, to bless your church, your people, your creation. Amen.

\*Hymn

#707 "Hymn of Promise"

In the bulb there is a flower, in the seed, an apple tree; In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free! In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be, Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody: There's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me. From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery, Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity; In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity. In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory, Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

\*Benediction

# \*Eagle's Wings

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of God's hand.

\*Please stand as you are able

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October Memory Verse: He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. Psalm 23:2