## WELCOME, ALL WORSHIPERS

WHOEVER YOU ARE, AND WHEREVER YOU ARE ON LIFE'S JOURNEY, YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.

## HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SUNDAY

THEN JESUS BEGAN TO SAY TO THEM, "TODAY THIS SCRIPTURE HAS BEEN FULFILLED IN YOUR HEARING." LUKE 4:21

(\*) INDICATES WHEN THOSE WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND.

#### PRELUDE

#### WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS BILL DEMPSEY, LAY READER (PLEASE COMPLETE THE FRIENDSHIP BOOK AS IT IS PASSED DURING ANNOUNCEMENTS; THEN PASS IT TOWARD THE CENTER AISLE.)

**\*OPENING HYMN: #177 GOD OF CHANGE AND GLORY** (VERSES 1 - 3) AL CARMINES, 1973

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE)

LEADER: BREATH OF GOD, YOU ARE THE ONE IN WHOM WE LIVE AND MOVE AND HAVE OUR BEING.

## ALL: AND WE ARE THE ONES IN WHOM YOU LIVE AND MOVE AND HAVE YOUR BEING, FOR YOU MADE US IN YOUR IMAGE AND LIKENESS.

LEADER: MAY YOUR UNIFYING ENERGY BE FELT HERE AMONG US,

ALL: AND REKINDLE THE FIRE WITHIN, THAT MAKES US FEEL ALIVE WHEN WE CARE FOR OTHERS.

LEADER: LET US DRAW FROM THE WELL OF LIVING WATER,

ALL: AND BE ATTENTIVE TO THAT WHICH NEEDS NOURISHING IN OURSELVES AND IN THE WORLD.

LEADER: COME, LET US WORSHIP WHERE ALL ARE WELCOME IN THE HOUSE OF GOD, ALL: AND FIND SAFE-HAVEN IN THE HEART OF THE DIVINE.

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

GOD OF OUR ANCESTORS, OF PROPHETS FROM LONG AGO AND TODAY, YOU HAVE SPOKEN YOUR WORD DEEP WITHIN US. HELP US TO HEAR YOUR WISDOM AND TO FEEL IT IN OUR

BONES. YOU HAVE CALLED US TO A LIFE THAT LIBERATES AND IS LIBERATING, SO ON THIS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SUNDAY, MAY WE SENSE THE STRENGTH WE HAVE HERE TOGETHER TO CREATE A WAY WHEN THERE IS NO WAY. AS PEOPLE WHO HAVE WALKED IN DARKNESS, YET HAVE SEEN A GREAT LIGHT, MAY WE BEFRIEND THE STRANGER WITH THE WARMTH OF OUR HOSPITALITY. AS THE BODY OF CHRIST, LET US STAND ON THE GROUND OF THE GOOD NEWS THAT OFFERS HEALING TO THE BROKEN AND BELONGING TO THE LOST. SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD, GUIDE US IN YOUR WAYS OF JUSTICE AND GRACE. AMEN.

#### \*THE GLORIA PATRI (SUNG)

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER, AND TO THE SON, AND TO THE HOLY GHOST; AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW, AND EVER SHALL BE, WORLD WITHOUT END. AMEN. Words: Anonymous, 4th Century, Music: Henry Greatorex. This selection is in the Public Domain.

#### ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE LESSON: LUKE 4:14-21

SERMON: "FULFILLING THE SCRIPTURES" REV. DI

**REV. DICK HOTCHKIN** 

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (DEBTS AND DEBTORS)

\*HYMN: #179 WE YEARN, O CHRIST, FOR WHOLENESS (VERSES 1 & 2) DOSIA CARLSON, 1986; REV. 1993

#### SHARING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

LEADER: LET US GIVE AS EACH IS ABLE FROM THE FULLNESS OF OUR GRATITUDE TO GOD.

### OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW. PRAISE GOD, ALL CREATURES HERE BELOW. PRAISE GOD ABOVE, YE HEAVENLY HOST. PRAISE FATHER, SON, AND HOLY GHOST. AMEN

\*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION (ALL): ALL GOOD GIFTS ARE FROM GOD. WE SHARE OUR GIFTS WITH GRATITUDE. MAY WE GIVE WITH PASSION FOR JUSTICE, AND WITH GOD'S LOVE GUIDING OUR PATHS. AMEN.

#### \*CLOSING HYMN: #283 SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD DANIEL IVERSON, 1926

\*BENEDICTION: GO IN PEACE. LET THE BEAUTY OF THE LORD OUR GOD BE UPON YOU, AND LINGER IN YOUR HEARTS AND MINDS THROUGHOUT THE COMING WEEK, AND FOREVERMORE. AMEN.

## \*UNISON RESPONSE:

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. AMEN.

## POSTLUDE

## OUR APPRECIATION IS EXTENDED TO MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP MINISTRY

Lay Reader: Bill DempseyFellowship Hosts: Jeff and Ann GerowAltar Guild: Nancy WedgeGreeter: Dan KibbeUshers: Ashley and Nancy WedgeCounter: Boris Gerber

| THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR |            |                      |                                   |
|----------------------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| SUNDAY               | JANUARY 28 | 10:00 AM<br>11:15 AM | WORSHIP SERVICE<br>ANNUAL MEETING |
|                      |            | ANNOUNCEMENTS        |                                   |

- THE ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEK ARE GIVEN BY SONNY AND JOAN CHRZAN IN HONOR OF THEIR 61<sup>ST</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.
- PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING EMAIL FOR REV. HOTCHKIN: <u>ALPUCCPASTOR@GMAIL.COM</u>

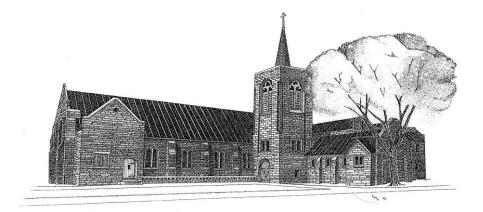
SUNDAY WORSHIP LIVE-STREAMED AND RECORDED -- OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES ARE LIVE-STREAMED, SHOWN ON THE INTERNET, AS THEY ARE HAPPENING AND RECORDED FOR VIEWING ONLINE LATER. PEOPLE IN THE SANCTUARY ATTENDING THE SUNDAY SERVICE MAY BE SEEN AS PART OF THE LIVE-STREAM AND RECORDING.

A UNISEX HANDICAP-ACCESSIBLE RESTROOM IS LOCATED THROUGH THE DOORS TO YOUR LEFT AS YOU EXIT THE SANCTUARY. A HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE LADIES RESTROOM IS NEAR THE LOCKWOOD STREET ENTRANCE. A MEN'S ROOM IS IN THE MIDDLE HALLWAY.

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January 28, 2024

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