GATHERING IN THE LORD’S PRESENCE

**Boldface = All speak**
❖ = All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE........“Take My Life and Let It Be” Henri A. C. Malan, Arr. by Larry Dalton
“I’ll Go Where You Want Me to Go” Carrie E. Rounsefell, Arr. by Larry Dalton

WELCOME

PIANO INTROIT .........................“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”
Frederick C. Atkinson, Arr. by Victor Labenske

❖CALL TO WORSHIP
  God’s Spirit gathers us
  We are not alone
  God’s Spirit calls us
  We are to discern together God’s will
  God’s Spirit sends us
  We are to shine like the sun, bearing witness to Christ our Savior!
  Let us worship God!

❖HYMN ..................“God Is Calling through the Whisper” .................. #410

❖CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER
  Master Gardener, weeds and wheat fill the fields of our lives, grow entangled, and are difficult to distinguish. We have not spent the time we should in prayer and study of your Word to help us discern what is evil and against your will. We excuse our complacency and justify our passive faith. Yet we need your truth. We hunger for your harvest. Jesus, forgive us. Deliver us from evil. Clear our path to you. Amen

❖ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE
AFFIRMING THE PEACE AMONG US
The peace of Christ be with you!
And also with you!

The children may go back to Sunday School at this time.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Ilumine us, O God. Bless us with ears to hear your truth, vision to discern your path, and feet ready to move into action, responding to your call. Guide us and inspire us in this moment of proclamation. Amen.

SCRIPTURE ........................................Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43, pg. 1393
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

HYMN .............................. “Spirit of the Living God” ......................... #288

MESSAGE .......... “A Matter for the Angels” ............ The Rev. Glauber Ribeiro

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN .............................. “Lord of All Good” ......................... #711
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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (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.
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER (p. 35 in the hymnal)

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

DOXOLOGY ............. Genevan Psalter (Public Domain) .................. #606

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT & SERVE

*HYMN .................. “May the God of Hope Go with Us” ................. #765

*SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE.................................................. “The Call for Reapers”
J.B.O. Clemm, Arr. by Norman J. Clayton

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Lector: Sue Wexler
Greeter/Usher: Larry Evans
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