PRELUDE

* We invite you to stand as you are able

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We invite members, friends, visitors to record visit by signing the attendance pad.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE (church bell tolls)

INTROIT* "Come, Come, Everybody Worship" The Faith We Sing #2271

STATEMENT OF WELCOME TO ALL AND FOR ALL

All: No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey you are welcome here.

CALL TO WORSHIP*

- One: In the fullness of time, God gave us Jesus that we might understand God's love.
- All: Yet we turned our backs on him and went our own way.
- One: God's loving presence continued in the disciples, bringing again the message of hope and reconciliation.
- All: Open our ears and our hearts, O Lord, to receive this message.
- One: Let the bread and the wine we receive today give us strength and courage to do God's will.
- All: Let our lives thus strengthened be a witness to God's eternal love for all God's people. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER*

All: Lord, throughout the world today, Christians are sharing in the sacrament of Holy Communion. We come together with a bountiful table set in the midst of struggle and strife. Help us to receive the elements of bread and wine for the nourishment of our souls and for the strengthening of our witness to your love for us. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OPENING HYMN "God of Grace and God of Glory" vs. 1, 3,4 Black Hymnal #436

SCRIPTURE

Luke 17:5-10 (CEV)

The apostles said to the Lord, "Make our faith stronger!" Jesus replied: If you had faith no bigger than a tiny mustard seed, you could tell this mulberry tree to pull itself up, roots and all, and to plant itself in the ocean. And it would! If your servant comes in from plowing or from taking care of the sheep, would you say, "Welcome! Come on in and have something to eat"? No, you wouldn't say that. You would say, "Prepare me something to eat. Get ready to serve me, so I can

have my meal. Then later on you can eat and drink." Servants don't deserve special thanks for doing what they are supposed to do. And that's how it should be with you. When you've done all you should, then say, "We are merely servants, and we have simply done our duty."

MESSAGE	"Christ is Counting on You"	Pastor Anne Kadue
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CHOIR ANTHEM	"Faith to Carry On"	Arr. Don Besig
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our God, 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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

SHARING OF THE PEACE & OFFERING

DOXOLOGY*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Black Hymnal pg. 16-20

CLOSING HYMN* "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" vs. 1 & 2 Red Hymnal #452

CIRCLE OF BENEDICTION* "Blessed Be the Tie that Binds" Red Hymnal #557 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

BENEDICTION* (church bell tolls)

We welcome all persons of every age, gender identity, racial or ethnic background, sexual orientation, marital or socioeconomic status, nationality, and physical or mental ability into full participation in the life of this faith community. We are committed to the reconciliation of all persons as children of God and declare ourselves to be a Reconciling Congregation.

Large Print bulletins are available from the ushers.

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