The Church at Worship

*Those who are able are invited to stand. Congregational responses and unison readings are indicated in bold.

The Gathering

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of new beginnings, as we turn the calendar page to a fresh, new year, we long to erase and leave behind the brokenness of the year behind us. We forget that our time is not your time. We are grateful that you are just as present with us today as you were last week, and that you will be present with us in the coming weeks when we are ready for yet another fresh start. Be with all of us this morning as we begin anew, our efforts to live in your likeness and for your glory! Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

	One:	God spoke the creative Word into the formless void.					
	All:	The cosmos cries, "Glory!"					
	One:	From the wilderness, God brought forth new life and liberation.					
	All:	The plants and animals that inhabit the wild places cry, "Glory!"					
	One:	A messenger in the wilderness brings good news.					
All: God's people cry, "Glory!"							
	One:	In baptism, we are united to God through Jesus Christ.					
	All: With all of creation, we cry "Glory!"						
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CALL TO CONFESSION							
The One, who was without sin, received the baptism of repentance so that we who have sinned may be covered by his righteousness. The							

Spirit enables us to tell the truth of our brokenness, assured already of the grace we know in Jesus Christ. Let us confess together:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creating God, we cannot look at our lives, our communities, or the world around us without seeing the fractures and brokenness that reflect the reality of sin.

You created the earth and called it good, but it now groans, awaiting redemption and re-creation under the weight of our greed, abuse and carelessness.

You created humanity in your image, and called us very good, but we have ignored the image of God in each other. You poured out your love in Jesus Christ, who showed us how to live and how to love, but we continue to make our own path, follow our own desires, and neglect to love others as Christ loves us. Lord, have mercy. Re-create us now. Amen.

(Moment for silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One:	reminding us	part, the waters swirl and the dove descends, that we, too, are God's beloved children. We y God's grace and forgiven in Jesus Christ.	
All:	Amen Thanks be to	God! Amen.	PRAYERS OF TH
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One:		the Lord Jesus Christ which passes all g be with you all.	Pro Pro
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*HYMN OF	RESPONSE	Sweet, Sweet, Spirit # 153	
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SCRIPTURE	READING	Acts 19:1-7, Mark 1:4-11	*CHORAL RESP
SERMON		"On the Wings of a Dove"	POSTLUDE

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed

in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

sus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by oly Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius e, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; hird day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into en, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father ghty; 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.

The Eucharist

HE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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DGY:

e God from whom all blessings flow; aise God all people here below; aise God above ye heavenly host; e Father; Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

R OF DEDICATION

The Sending

ΜN	Spirit of the Living God	# 150
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SPONSE	God Be With You	#583

Congregational Care

Bobby Basham, Rosemary Harris and her helper Linda; Ethan, friend of Nebe; Cindy Iszard's son, Zack; Alex Lanphear, Lee Franklin Laster & wife; Emma Loller; Glenda Moore's nephew, Brad; Terry Thomas, the Rev. Tracy Williams; those unable to attend church and those serving in the military, as missionaries and in works of mercy and relief around the world and their families.

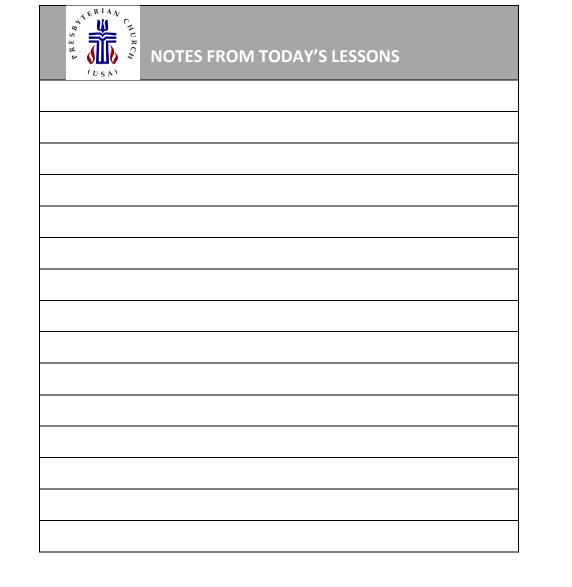
The Leadership of the Church

SESSION serves as the governing council of the church. Current members of the Session are: Louan Pyron, Clerk Cindy Lanphear, Treasurer

Class of 2023 Susan Pfeifler David Pyron

Class of 2024 Linda McDougal Chris Lanphear

Class of 2025 Stephen Fyr Ann Pfeifler



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Worship 10:00 a.m.