

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Just for today, help us, God, to remember that our lives are a gift, that our health is a blessing, that this new day is filled with awesome potential, that we have the capacity to bring something wholly new and unique and good into this world. Just for today, help us, God, to remember to be kind and patient to the people who love us. Teach us to see all the beauty that we so often ignore, and to listen to the silent longings of our souls. Just for today, help us, God, to remember You. Open our eyes and our ears to hear your word and let this be a good day, God, full of joy and love. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP *(based on Psalm 111:1-4)*

Leader: Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the congregation.
People: **Great are the works of the Lord studied by all who delight in them.**
Leader: Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.
People: **He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds, The Lord is gracious and merciful.**
ALL: **Let us worship God!**

*HYMN OF PRAISE *What A Friend We Have In Jesus* SJ #162

CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's amazing love is this: that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Christ rose for us. Christ reigns in power for us. Christ prays for us. With such assurance, we need not fear confession, but simply draw near to our maker in candor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life and sent his Spirit to be with us always. We confess that we have not trusted in the truth of that Spirit to enliven our hearts, to set us in the ways of justice, and to free us from fear. We have turned away from the gift of Christ's presence. Forgive us, and turn our hearts back to you, that we may be your faithful and loving people, walking in the footsteps of the One who came to transform the world.

(Moment for silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.
People: **For in Jesus Christ, we are fully and forever forgiven! Amen!**

The Response to Forgiveness

**Gloria Patri* #620

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ which passes all understanding be with you all.
All: **And also with you.**

(Please turn to those around you and extend the hand of peace and friendship)

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* SJ #510 vs. 1 & 4

The Word

SCRIPTURE Exodus 20:2-7

SERMON "Football and Faith"
Douglas McKenzie

The Response

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostle's 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.

The Eucharist

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**DOXOLOGY* # 623

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION*

The Sending

*CLOSING HYMN *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* SJ #462

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE *God Be With You* #583


POSTLUDE

Congregational Care

Kayla Ballard, Rosemary Harris and her helper Linda; Lee Franklin Laster & wife, Darlene; Fraser Leonard, 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.

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	NOTES FROM TODAY'S LESSONS

The Leadership of the Church

SESSION serves as the governing council of the church.

Current members of the Session are:

- The Rev. Ron Jones, Moderator
- Louan Pyron, Clerk
- Cindy Lanphear, Treasurer

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