Order of the Worship Service February 2, 2025, 10:00am Sacrament of Holy Communion John Welton, preaching

Prelude

Choral Prelude

Sanctuary Choir, Tom Kyser, director

Welcome and Church Life

*Call to Worship

One: We stand before the Holy One.

All: Sometimes awe-struck, sometimes mystified

One: We hear a voice calling our names.

All: Sometimes we are scared. Sometimes we are comforted.

One: Today we ask that our fears be quelled, our minds be sharpened, our ears ready to listen, and our hearts opened to the One who has nothing but love for us.

All: Holy One, intervene as needed. Enliven us and inspire us. We are here for You.

*Opening Hymn 469

MORNING HAS BROKEN

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, though you ask us to love each other, and be bound as your family by that love, we instead like to work to separate those bonds. Whether leaping to conclusions and snap judgments, or out of fear of those who seem different on the surface. Change our perception, helping us to know your presence in everyone we encounter. Change our minds, that instead of imposing our way on the world, we first seek your goodness. And change our hearts, filling them to overflowing with your love. Amen

Moments of Silence

Assurance of Pardon

One: Beloved in Christ, believe in the good news. God's love has been poured over us with wisdom and understanding.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen

*Passing the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you!

All: And also with you!

Giving of our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving

Scripture Reading

Luke 4: 22-30

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Communion Hymn 510 JESUS THOU JOY OF LOVING HEARTS

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise

Words of Institution

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

*Closing Hymn 420 GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY

Blessing