# **January 15, 2023**

Worship 9:30am

Fellowship 10:30am Faith Formation for all ages 10:50am

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE Rosi Penner Kaufman, organist

WELCOME AND PRAYER Carmen Shelly, worship leader

\*HYMN VT 120 For the Beauty of the Earth

## WE LISTEN AND LEARN

MOMENT OF WONDER

Joshua Chittum

ANTHEM In Sacred Manner Cherwien/Pavlechko

SCRIPTURE Romans 1:20; Psalms 24:1; Matthew 7: 24-29

TEACHING Raylene Hinz-Penner

HYMN VT 788 The Garden Needs Our Tending Now

### WE RESPOND AND SHARE

#### **SHARING JOY**

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

#### SHARING CONCERNS

#### PRAYING TOGETHER

Slips of paper are available in the pew racks for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl table at the front of the sanctuary.

#### **OFFERING**

## WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE

\*HYMN VT 539

God Speaks to Us in Bird and Song

\*SENDING FORTH VT 185

\*POSTLUDE

\*You are invited to stand

Anthem text: *In Sacred Manner* Text by Susan Palo Cherwein, Tune by Thomas Pavlechko

In sacred manner may we walk upon the fair and loving earth, In beauty move, in beauty love the living round that brought us birth. We stand on holy ground.

In sacred manner may we see the luminous and loving stars, With wonder and with awe behold their ever-new creative pow'rs. The heavens show us God.

In sacred manner may we touch the despairing and loving green, Give honor and give gratitude for shade, for bloom, for gift unseen. The trees shall shout for joy.

In sacred manner may we hear the pounding waves, the searing fire, The rushing wind, the singing night, the forest hymn, the loving choir. The morning stars shall sing.

In sacred manner may we live among the wise and loving ones, Sit humbly, as at sages' feet, by four-legged, finned and feathered ones. The animals will teach.

In sacred manner may we walk among the fair and loving earth, In beauty move, in beauty love the living round that brought us birth. We stand on holy ground.

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