

November 19, 2023

Worship 9:30am

Fellowship 10:30am

Faith Formation for all ages 10:50am

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Give Thanks* by Henry Smith Naomi Wiebe, pianist

WELCOME AND PRAYER Duane Krehbiel, worship leader

*HYMN VT 747 *We Plow the Fields and Scatter*

WE LISTEN AND LEARN

MOMENT OF WONDER Sara Mwangura

GATHERING FOR CROSS-LINES
VT 489 *Bless This Food and Bless your People*

ANTHEM *Humble Service* arr. Fleming

SCRIPTURE Luke 12:13-21

CONFESSION VT 893

SERMON Ruth Harder

HYMN VT 758 *Who will speak a word of warning*

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.

As we share our joys and concerns, please be mindful of those gathered remotely.

SHARING CONCERNS

PRAYING TOGETHER

Prayer Hymn VT 748 *Take, O Take Me as I Am*
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

Offertory: *Take my life and let it be* by Francis Havergal, arr. Greg Howlett

WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE

*HYMN VT 750 *God of the Fertile Fields*

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE *A Gaelic Blessing* by John Rutter

*You are invited to stand

Anthem: Humble Service Tune: BEACH SPRING from *The Sacred Harp*, 1844.
Text: Albert F. Bayly. Arr. Larry Fleming.

Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,
Who upon the cross forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed:
We, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart;
Consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;
Still the captives long for freedom, still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul.
By your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.

What wondrous love is this, O my soul.
That Christ should lay aside his crown for my soul.

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light
In its height and depth and greatness dawns upon your quickened sight,
Dawns making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear,
Stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

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