

## GATHERING FOR THE WORD

Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.

\* Please stand if able Plain text = Leader **Bold text = People**

PRELUDE *Great is the Lord* Deborah & Michael Smith

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS The Rev. Dr. Laura S. Sugg

\* CALL TO WORSHIP (Please stand) from 2 Corinthians 4:6  
God who said “out of the darkness the light shall shine!” Elder

is the same God who made the light shine in our hearts

**to bring the knowledge of God’s glory  
shining in the face of Christ.**

Sisters and brothers, let us worship God.

**The Lord’s name be praised.**

\* HYMN *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* No. 263

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL (Be seated) Elder

Let us pray...

**God our Redeemer,**

**we confess that our lives do not reflect your glory.**

**You shine on us with wonder,**

**but we fail to see your beauty.**

**You speak to us with truth,**

**but we fail to heed your voice.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.**

**Open our eyes to your glory.**

**open our hearts to your mercy;**

**open our lives to your will;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*(A time for silent prayer)*

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE Isaiah 43:1

Amen. Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name; you are mine.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Laura Sugg

\* SUNG RESPONSE *Glory to God* (see insert)

## HEARING THE WORD

GOSPEL READING Luke 9:28-36 Pgs. 65-66

The word of the Lord.

Deacon

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

ANTHEM *We Are Dancing in the Love of God* Siyahamba

The Children of WPC

TIME FOR CHILDREN *(As the children come forward, please join in singing.)*

***This, this is where children belong, part of our family, part of our song.***

***Be with us, pray with us, help us grow strong, this is where children belong.***

SERMON *Trying to Capture the Cloud* Laura Sugg

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Please Stand) Elder

**We believe that the church must together come to know**

**the height and the breadth**

**and the depth of the love of Christ.**

**We believe that together we are built up**

**to the stature of Christ, the new humanity.**

**We believe that we must together know**

**and bear one another’s burdens,**

**thereby fulfilling the law of Christ.**

**We believe that we are called to admonish**

**and comfort one another;**

**to suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness;**

**to pray together;**

**and together serve God in this world. Amen.**

—from the *The Belhar Confession* (S.A. 1986, PCUSA 2015)

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER Front of Hymnal Pg. 16

(Pray, “Forgive us our sins...”)

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

OFFERTORY *Adagio* Alex Gulimant

\* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING *Doxology* No. 591/2

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Laura Sugg

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION  
INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE  
PRAYER OF CONSECRATION  
SERVING COMMUNION

Bread is taken individually. Juice/wine is taken together; wine is in outer rings of tray.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Unison)

**Loving and gracious God,  
from east and west, from north and south,  
you have gathered us at your table,  
called us your beloved, and fed us from your body.  
Transform us to be your body in the world,  
and fortify us by your Spirit,  
so that we may serve you and  
our neighbors with great joy. Amen.**

\* HYMN *Open My Eyes That I May See*

No. 324

\* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\* SUNG CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

***May the Lord go with you as you leave this place,  
May the Lord go with you as you celebrate His grace.  
May you be surrounded by His love unbounded,  
May the Lord go with you as you leave this place.***

POSTLUDE *In Thee is Gladness* Johann Sebastian Bach

*Please come through to Fellowship Hall for coffee and conversation.*



*WPC Mission Statement  
To worship God through faith and action,  
to nurture the spirit of Jesus Christ in each of us,  
to be an extended family to all,  
and to serve the community  
through programs, education and prayer.*

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Greeter: Jeff Stimson                              Ushers: Kerry Gardner and Chuck Miller  
Sound Engineer: Jim Niquette                  Children's Time: Kevin Crowe  
Communion Servers: Brenda Cavanaugh, Jo Ann Flores, Jeanne Miller, Chet Myers

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