

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 *Prelude* P.C. Hartung

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Please stand) Elder

Jesus says, "I am the Way for you."

And so we come to follow Christ.

Jesus says, "I am the Truth for you."

And so we come to dwell in the light.

Jesus says, "I am the Life for you."

And so we come, leaving behind all else to which we cling.

* HYMN *When Morning Gilds the Skies* No. 487

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL (Be seated) Elder

Let us pray...

God of mercy and justice,

You call us by name,

but sometimes we forget our worth.

You call us to love our neighbors as ourselves,

but we let fear and selfishness guide our actions.

You call us to serve Christ,

but we push service into pockets of our lives.

Open us, mold us, change us into your children

who live your call every day of the week,

at home, at work or school,

in the marketplace and the public square.

(A time for silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Amen. The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins,

strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit

keep us in eternal life. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE (Stand as desired) (Blessed Assurance) No. 341 v.2 and refrain

Perfect submission, perfect delight. Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;

Angels, descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;

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HEARING THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 43:1-7 Pg. 687

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *And Yet There Is Room* P.P.Bliss

Arr. Katie Sakanai

GOSPEL READING John 20:11-18 Pg. 109

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** Deacon

TIME WITH CHILDREN & YOUTH (*As children & youth come forward, please sing.*)

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 *Called by Name* Laura Sugg

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Please Stand) Elder

We are not alone; we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

to celebrate God's presence,

to live with respect in creation,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

— from The Iona Community, Scotland

* HYMN *The Summons (Will You Come and Follow Me?)* STF No. 2130

MINUTE FOR MISSION—NOMINATING Anne Baker

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER Front of Hymnal Pg. 16

(*Pray, "Forgive us our sins..."*)

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

OFFERTORY *Let All Things Now Living* Arr. Lloyd Larson

* PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING *Doxology*

No. 591/2

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING RESPONSES

Look at your hands, see the touch and the tenderness,

God's own for the world.

Look at your feet, see the path and the direction,

God's own for the world.

Look at your heart, see the fire and the love,

God's own for the world.

Look at the cross, see God's son and our Savior.

God's own for the world.

This is God's world,

And we serve God in it.

* HYMN *Called as Partners in God's Service* No. 343
(Bring forward food donations for Highland West Community)

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

* SUNG RESPONSE *The Trees of the Field* from Isaiah 55:12
You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; STF No. 2279
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you;
there'll be shouts of joy and all the trees of the field will clap,
will clap their hands.
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands,
the trees of the field will clap their hands,
the trees of the field will clap their hands
while you go out with joy.

POSTLUDE *Praeludium* J.K.F. Fischer

Please come through to Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation.

Pulpit Elder: Sean Mestdagh	Deacon Reader: Nancy Rosi
Greeter: Valerie Friedman	Sound Engineer: Jim Niquette
Ushers: Maxine Foster & Jeff Stimson	Flowers: Jeff & Barbara Stimson
Flowers: Caroline Clovesko	Visitor Desk: Ruth Breckon
Time With Children & Youth: Betsy Smith	Flowers: John & Roxanne Foster



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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