



Welcome!

Please remain masked at all time while indoors.

## In Preparation for Worship

“The grateful person knows that God is good, not by hearsay, but by experience.” - *Thomas Merton*

## Gathering Prayer

### Prelude

Peace

Festival Ringers

## Welcome and Announcements

## Call to Worship

Leader: Take heart! For we gathered in God's presence  
 People: **to proclaim the wonders of the Lord.**  
 Leader: Get up! For we are beckoned by the Risen Son  
 People: **to respond to grace undeserved.**  
 Leader: God is calling us!  
 People: **For we are unbound by the Spirit to follow Jesus on the way.**

## Hymn #462

I Love to Tell the Story

## Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,  
 Few of us misunderstand you all of the time,  
 but all of us misunderstand you some of the time -  
 your thoughts on happiness, your ideas on giving,  
 your way of making us whole.  
 These are not always our ready choices.  
 Give us faith, we pray, to risk a dangerous hope,  
 to be ready to think as you teach,  
 and to act as you lead.  
 Hear us now as we offer the prayers on our hearts...  
 (*Silence is kept for personal reflection.*)

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,  
 People: hear our prayer. Amen.

## Assurance of Forgiveness

## Song of Praise #582

Glory to God

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me.  
 And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

## Prayer for Illumination

## Scripture Reading

Isaiah 63:7-9

Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
 People: Thanks be to God.

## Tell Us Our Story

Shannon Dill

<b>Sermon</b>	God's Gracious Deeds	David Lower
<b>Musical Response</b>	Lift Up Your Heads	Festival Ringers
<b>Affirmation of Faith*</b>	Apostles' Creed	

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
 and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;  
 who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,  
 suffered under Pontius Pilate;  
 was crucified, dead, and buried;  
 he descended into hell;  
 the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,  
 and sitteth on the right hand  
 of God the Father Almighty;  
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
 I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
 the holy catholic Church;  
 the communion of saints;  
 the forgiveness of sins;  
 the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

<b>Moment for Commitment</b>	Becky Loftis
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**The Offering**

<b>Hymn</b>	With Open Arms Christ Welcomes You
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**Benediction**

<b>Choral Amen</b>	Halle-Halle-Hallelujah
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<b>Postlude</b>	Toccata Leon Boellmann
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**Please join us in the courtyard for fellowship and conversation.**

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