

## Prelude

*Let us turn our hearts and minds to a time of silent reflection and prayer.*

## Welcome and Announcements

## Introit

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**People: We are here to worship. May we come to a more perfect understanding that you have more interest in our character than in our comfort.**

Leader: Where we need correction, speak plainly to us and grant us the courage to make changes.

**People: May the love we express for you on this Sunday morning – continue throughout the coming week.**

Leader: Strengthen our congregation, so that we may become more effective...

**ALL: In our ministry, in our service, and in our witness to the community. In the name of the risen Christ, amen!**

\*Hymn of Praise Celebration Hymnal # 11  
"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

## \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

O God of all creation, become for us once again - the solid foundation upon which we build our daily lives. We gather before you, this first day of the week, to align our lives with the strong teaching and life of Jesus Christ, our Cornerstone. Receive our praise and thanksgiving as expressions of faith and love. We come to you, O Lord, as people who desire to learn and serve like Christ. We are ready to receive your blessing and direction today. Amen.

## Anthem

Old Testament Lesson Malachi 3:10-12 (NLT)

New Testament Lesson Matthew 16:13-19 (NLT)

## \*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen, Amen.

## Sermon

"Putting First Things First"

Rev. William Kren

## Hymn of Reflection

"Whiter than Snow"

Celebration Hymnal # 653

## Pastoral Prayer

## 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.*

## Choral Response

## Worship in Tithes and Offerings

## \*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## \*Offertory Prayer

## \*Hymn of Going Forth

"Take Time to Be Holy"

Celebration Hymnal # 656

## \*Benediction

## \*Benediction Response

"Each One, Reach One"

Each one can reach one;  
As we follow after Christ we all can lead one;  
We can lead one to the Savior;  
Then together we can tell the world that Jesus is the way--  
If we each one reach one.

## \*Postlude

\*We invite you to stand if you are able.