

Prelude

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

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

People: Let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,

Leader: And let us run with perseverance – the race that is set before us!

People: Looking to Jesus, the pioneer, and perfecter of our faith.

Leader: Let us worship together, knowing that we can go forward in hope.

ALL: For we believe that whatever else fails, God remains faithful and nothing can separate us from the love of God. Praise be to God!

*Hymn of Praise Celebration Hymnal # 21
"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

At the starting line of this day, we call on your name, God of grace. As we run the race you have set before us, help us to keep our eyes on your goals, not our own. When we falter, give us a renewed strength and courage. When we are fleet-footed, let us give you the glory. Keep us from wanting to win at other's expense - or to count ourselves better than those at our side. Keep us mindful that all runners are your children – and that in the race You imagine, each one is a winner. Amen.

Anthem

Old Testament Lesson Proverbs 4:11-13 (NLT)

Gospel Lesson Mark 8:31; 34-38 (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

"An All Out Run For Jesus"

Rev. William Kren

Hymn of Reflection

"Lead On, O King Eternal"

Celebration Hymnal # 724

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

"The Longer I Serve Him"

Celebration Hymnal # 520

*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.