

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

\*Call to Worship

Leader: This place of worship has been prepared for us,  
to come with songs of thanksgiving before our God.  
Bring your gifts to the altar and share your stories of blessings!

**People: God has provided so much—even this beautiful day—  
So let's raise our voices and celebrate!**

\*Hymn of Praise *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* No. 797

\*Prayer of Invocation

**O God of steadfast love,  
we entered this space today  
to worship you in gladness.  
We come into your presence,  
Singing your praises.  
You are our creator; we are your people.  
Be with us, O God, as we celebrate all of creation:  
We give thanks for the sun, water, air and winds  
that nourish your earth  
which provides the bounty we enjoy.  
Bless us as we bless your name.**

First Lesson 1 Chronicles 16:8-36

Second Lesson Philippians 4:1-9

\*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 *The Magic of Gratitude* Brian Sampson

Hymn of Reflection *In All Things, Give Him Thanks* Celebration Hymnal No. 789

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.*

\*Hymn of Going Forth *This Is My Father's World* Celebration Hymnal No. 143

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response

**"Make Us One"**  
Make us one Lord, make us one  
Holy Spirit, make us one  
Let our love flow, so the world will know  
We are one in you; we are one in you.

Postlude

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

## First Lesson

### **1 Chronicles 16:8-36**

<sup>8</sup>O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

<sup>9</sup>Sing to him, sing praises to him, tell of all his wonderful works.

<sup>10</sup>Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

<sup>11</sup>Seek the Lord and his strength, seek his presence continually.

<sup>12</sup>Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

<sup>13</sup>O offspring of his servant Israel, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

<sup>14</sup>He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

<sup>15</sup>Remember his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations,

<sup>16</sup>the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac,

<sup>17</sup>which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant,

<sup>18</sup>saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan as your portion for an inheritance."

<sup>19</sup>When they were few in number, of little account, and strangers in the land,

<sup>20</sup>wandering from nation to nation, from one kingdom to another people,

<sup>21</sup>he allowed no one to oppress them; he rebuked kings on their account,

<sup>22</sup>saying, "Do not touch my anointed ones; do my prophets no harm."

<sup>23</sup>Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of his salvation from day to day.

<sup>24</sup>Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.

<sup>25</sup>For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods.

<sup>26</sup>For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

<sup>27</sup>Honor and majesty are before him; strength and joy are in his place.

<sup>28</sup>Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

<sup>29</sup>Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come before him. Worship the Lord in holy splendor;

<sup>30</sup>tremble before him, all the earth. The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.

<sup>31</sup>Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations, "The Lord is king!"

<sup>32</sup>Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it.

<sup>33</sup>Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth.

<sup>34</sup>O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

<sup>35</sup>Say also: "Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather and rescue us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name, and glory in your praise.

<sup>36</sup>Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting." Then all the people said "Amen!" and praised the Lord.

## Second Lesson

### **Philippians 4:1-9**

**4**Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. <sup>2</sup>I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same

mind in the Lord. <sup>3</sup>Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. <sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup>Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

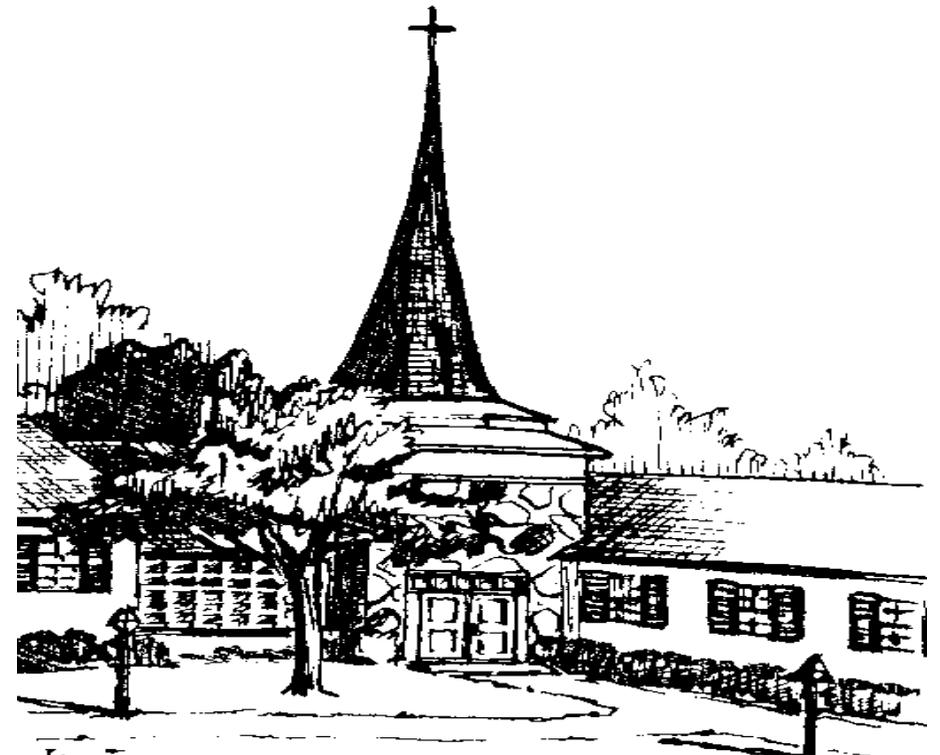
The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

### Church Covenant

**We are banded together as a Christian Church to maintain the worship of God the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer; to proclaim the gospel of Christ, to develop in ourselves and others a consciousness of our relationship and duties to God and each other; to create a spirit of love for truth, a passion for righteousness and enthusiasm for service; to respect and protect all of God's creation. To this end we pledge our loyalty to Christ and covenant with God and with each other to strive to express God's spirit in our individual and corporate life; to live together as Christians and to submit ourselves to the government of this church, working, giving, praying for its increase, purity and peace, seeking in every way to make it a power for the building up of the Kingdom of God.**

# ***WELCOME!***



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