PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY*

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

HOLY COMMUNION

As we continue to navigate the implications of Covid we will have two options for partaking. After coming down the center aisle, you can choose one of the two lines. One will have a common cup for intinction (dipping); the other will have individual cups that can be drank from and then placed in the provided empty tray. Please choose whichever line you feel most comfortable with.

SENDING

SONG* - When the Lord Redeems the Very Least

When the Lord redeems the very least, we will rejoice.

When the hungry gather for the feast, we will rejoice.

We will rejoice with gladness, we will rejoice. All our days we'll sing to God in praise, we will rejoice.

*Stand, as you are able

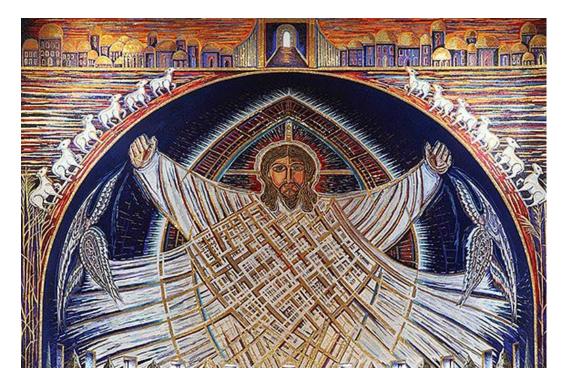
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GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP* (adapted from Joan Stott)

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all you lands!

Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong;

we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the courts with praise.

give thanks and bless God's holy name.

God indeed is the LORD,

whose steadfast love is everlasting,

whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

SONG* - Na Nzela na Lola/As Long as We Follow

As long as we follow Refrain:

in the way that God is leading: Malembe, malembe,

malembe tokotambola. (2x) malembe tokotambola. (2x)

As long as we hope

there is a future for creation. We know this, we know this,

malembe tokotambola. (2x) We know God's reign will surely come.

SONG* - The Lord Hears the Cry of the Poor

Refrain:

The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Blessed be the Lord. (2x)

1. I will bless the Lord at all times with praise ever in my mouth.
Let my soul glory in the Lord, who will hear the cry of the poor.

2. Let the lowly hear and be glad: the Lord listens to their pleas; and to hearts broken, God is near, who will hear the cry of the poor.

3. We proclaim your greatness, O God, your praise ever in our mouth; ev'ry face brightened in your light, for you hear the cry of the poor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Christ our Shepherd,
who seeks after the lost and the least,
we confess that we too often
ignore the needs of our neighbors in need.
We let busyness crowd out mercy,
apathy stifle acts of justice,
and cynicism overcome hope for change.
Seek us out in our sin, find us,
and forgive us, Lamb of God,
that we may be restored to you
and be a part of your good news for all people.

~silence~

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

PASSING OF THE PEACE*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

SONG - Your Love Is Washing Over Me

- 1. Your love is washing over me, your love is washing over me, your love is washing over me, and I won't be frightened anymore.
- 2. Your grace is washing over me...
- 3. Your joy is washing over me...
- 4. Your hope is washing over me...

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

GOSPEL LESSON* Matthew 25:31-46

SERMON Pastor Jolene

RESPONSE

HYMN* - You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd (see insert)