

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

We invite you to come down the center aisle, receive the bread in your open hands as a symbol that the grace we receive at the table is not something we take for ourselves but is freely offered to us. After receiving the bread, you may either dip your bread in the communal cup or partake of an individual cup. Gluten-free bread is available, simply ask your server.

SONG* - As We Gather at Your Table (Hymn #551)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING*

SENDING

SONG* - As We Gather at Your Table (Hymn #551, v. 3)

CHARGE & BENEDICTION*

*Stand, as you are able

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GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP* (by Rev. Sarah A. Speed)

In the dark of morning,
the stars still shine.

In the depth of winter,
the birds still climb.

At the start of the year,
tender and new,

God is here.

God is near.

Do not rest in your fear.

God is here.

So like the stars and the birds,

Let us worship our holy God.

SONG* - Good Christians All, Rejoice (Hymn #173)

SONG* - Your Glory Appears

You gave me hope
You made me whole at the cross
Author of love, You showed me grace
at the cross where You died for me

And Your glory appears like the light
from the sun
Age to age You shine
Oh look to the skies hear the angels cry
Singing holy is the Lord

CONFESSION OF SIN

Ever-loving God,
We long for Christmas to usher in a season of peace and joy.
Yet here, days after Christmas, we face our fears once again.
Forgive us when fear stops us in our tracks.
Forgive us when fear halts following your call.
Forgive us when fear chimes louder than love.
Though we have reason to fear,
We also have reason to trust in your love.
By your grace, turn our fear into loving action.
Help us live like the the magi;
To search for you in a fearful world,
And honor you with our gifts, our praise, and our lives.

~silence~

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel;
We are seen. We are surrounded with grace. We are forgiven.

PASSING OF THE PEACE*

(Children aged Pre-K-2nd are welcome to attend ResCov Kids and will return for communion)

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

SONG* - Don't Be Afraid

Don't be afraid. My love is stronger,
my love is stronger than your fear.
Don't be afraid. My love is stronger,
my love is stronger, and I have promised,
promised to be always near.

WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-6

GOSPEL LESSON*

Matthew 2:1-12, 16-18

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Fear Doesn't Stop Us

Pastor Kyle

RESPONSE

SONG* - The First Noel (Hymn #167)

LIFE TOGETHER/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER *(debts, debtors)*

OFFERING / STAR WORDS

During offering, the ushers will pass baskets through the rows. We invite you to draw out a star word, without looking at it first, and then pass the basket to your neighbor. As you do, you may say to one another, "May Christ's light guide you." You may also add your offerings to the basket as well.

Many in our community give their tithes and offerings online (rescov.org/give) and yet we believe it is still good and right to give God thanks as part of our worship. If you have offering this morning you are welcome to place it in the basket in the center aisle as we give God thanks. To give online, scan the QR code to your right.

