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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Children of the Heavenly Father

We Gather in the Word

Call to Worship

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Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised

God's greatness is unsearchable.

From generation to generation, we sing of your righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**Gathering Song O Worship the King, All Glorious Above 172*

*O worship the King, all glorious above!
O gratefully sing God's power and God's love:
our shield and defender, The Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.*

*O tell of God's might; O sing of God's grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.*

*The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, your power has founded of old;
established it fast by a changeless decree,
and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.*

*Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain,
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.*

*Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,*

our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

*Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we confess that we allow our anger and frustration to cut us off from others. We accept your way of mercy, love, and redemption for ourselves, but fail to extend them to those who frustrate us. Forgive us for our anger and resentment. Create a new heart within us; one modeled after your steadfast love and generosity. Help us to see the world in new ways. Amen.

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

**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.*

Scripture	Jonah 3:10-4:11	Pew Bible, Page 655
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<i>Special Music</i>	<i>Trust and Obey/Minuet #3, J.S. Bach</i>	<i>Elenita Musgrove</i>
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Scripture	Matthew 20:1-16	Pew Bible, Page 697
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Message	What's in your pay envelope?	Rev. Edward Dunn
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We Respond to the Word

**Responding Song Bind Us Together*

*Bind us together within your love
Bind us together within your holy love
As we shared in our sorrows, we will share in your joy
Bind us together in love*

*Bind us together and be our peace
Bind us together and be our perfect peace
Though the tempest may rage, we will rest in your joy
Bind us together in peace.*

*Bind us together and give us hope
Bind us together and give us endless hope
Though our tears were our bread, we will feast in your joy
Bind us together in hope.*

*Bind us together and make us one
Bind us together and make us truly one
In your love, in your peace, in your hope, in your joy
Bind us together as one*

*In your love, in your peace, in your hope, in your joy
Bind us together as one.*

Prayers of the People

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.

Receiving Our 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.*

*Prayer of Dedication

**Sending Song Christ Beside Me 702*

*Christ be beside me, Christ be before me, Christ be behind me, King of my heart.
Christ be within me, Christ be below me, Christ be above me, never to part.*

*Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising, Light of my life.*

*Christ be in all hearts thinking about me, Christ be on all tongues telling of me.
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me; in ears that hear me Christ ever be.*

*Blessing

Postlude Jesus, Lover of My Soul

*Please stand as you are able.