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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude	Leaning on the Ev	verlasting Arms	Bell Choir			
Call to Worship		Gail Long, La	Gail Long, Lay Reader			
Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights! Praise the Lord, all the angels and heavenly host! Praise the Lord, sun and moon; all you shining stars! Let everything praise the name of the Lord.						
0	Song Immortal, i visible, God only wise	Invisible, God Only Wise e,	12			
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes						

Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; Thy justice, like mountains high soaring above; Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small. In all life thou livest, the true life of all. We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree, Then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Thou reignest in glory, thou dwellest in light. Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight. All praise we would render; O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession God of mercy, your command to love one another across all differences opens us to new horizons, yet we often respond with fear and judgment that hinders your

goal for humanity. Forgive our sins, we pray, and give us a true repentance that leads to life for all creation. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*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.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Scripture	Psalm 24:1-6	Pew Bible, p. 392
Special MusicT	Eric Arvidson	
Scripture	Leviticus 19:9-18	Pew Bible, p. 85
Song	Help Us Accept Each Other	754

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; Teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace. Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe We are ourselves accepted, and meant to love and live.

Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved In living situations to do the truth in love; To practice your acceptance until we know by heart The table of forgiveness, and laughter's healing art.

Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need, Who hunger for acceptance, for justice and for bread, We need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on; renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us; make us one!

Scripture	John 13:31-35	Pew Bible, p. 763
*Responding Song	We are One in the Spirit	300

We are one in the Spirit; we are on in the Lord; We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord, And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

(Refrain) And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand, And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land. (Refrain)

We will work with each other; we will work side by side; We will work with each other; we will work side by side; And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride. (Refrain)

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one; (Refrain)

Prayers of the People

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 Be Thou My Vision 450 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that thou art;*

Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower; Raise thou me Heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise; Thou mine inheritance, now and always; Thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joy, O bright heaven's Sun! *Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.* *Blessing

Postlude All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name / You are My All in All

Our worship leaders today are Gail Long, Jan Jarrell, Marilynn Gillette, Ron Dickerson, Roy Williams, and Gregg Pead.