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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Take Time to be Holy*

Call to Worship Joyce Knouse, Lay Reader

This is the day that the Lord has made
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with all of you.
And also with you.
Let us worship God.

**Gathering Song* *We Gather Together* 336

*We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
he chastens and hastens his will to make known;
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.*

*Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
so from the beginning the fight we were winning;
thou, Lord, was at our side; all glory be thine!*

*We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,
and pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation escape tribulation;
thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!*

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Gracious and loving God, we confess that we are troubled by the events of our lives and the state of this world. Headlines are full of wars, insurrections, suffering, famines and death. These things are enough to shake our faith and undermine our confidence in your promise.

Lord, we believe; help our unbelief. Deliver us from speculation that distracts us from faithful living and loving service. Forgive us when we doubt our promises. Help us to

endure that we may gain our souls, always bearing witness to your love and grace in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

We Listen for God's Word

Scripture.	Isaiah 65: 17-25	Pew Bible, Page 532
<i>Anthem</i>	<i>The Heavens Are Declaring</i>	<i>Chancel Choir</i>
Scripture	Luke 21: 5-19	Pew Bible, Page 745
Message	Good and Bad News	Rev. Edward Dunn

We Respond to God's Word

**Responding 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 heaven-ward, 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 joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

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* *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less.* 353

*My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.*

*Refrain: On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.*

*When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. (Refrain)*

*His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood;
when all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. (Refrain)*

*When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found,
dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before his throne. (Refrain)*

*Blessing

Postlude When Morning Gilds the Skies / We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise

There will be a Congregational Meeting next Sunday to elect Elders and a Deacon, and at-large members to the Nominating Committee.