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Welcome and Announcements

*Prelude. Alleluia ! Sing to Jesus / All Hail, King Jesus*

*We Gather in the Word*

Call to Worship

Peter Sokolich, Lay Reader

Lord, we come to this place.

**May we hear your call. May we speak your truth.**

Lord, we come to abide with you.

**Gather us , in honest and faithful community.**

Lord, prepare us to be people of hope and grace.

**Grant us courage to live as brave and faithful disciples.**

*\*Gathering Song God of Grace, and God of Glory 307*

*God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thy church's ancient story; bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour*

*Lo ! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways !  
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
for the living of these days, for the living of these days.*

*Cure thy children's warring madness; bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.*

*Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore.  
Let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,  
Serving thee whom we adore.*

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we come to you in confession. You shower us with blessings, yet we hoard those gifts and refuse to share with those in need. You have given us freedom to live justly, yet we choose to judge and oppress others. You have called us to be a peaceful community, yet discord and violence are all around us. Forgive us. Soften our hardened hearts and open our closed minds. Inspire us to justice and love, that we may walk in your way every day. 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.                      Matthew 5: 1-12                      Pew Bible, Page 683

*Anthem*                      *My Savior's Love*                      *Chancel Choir*

Scripture                      Micah 6: 1-8                      Pew Bible, Page 659

Message                      More than Words                      Rev. Edward Dunn

*We Respond to the Word*

*\*Responding Song:                      Blest Are They*

*Blest are they, the poor in spirit, theirs is the kingdom of God.*

*Blest are they, full of sorrow, they shall be consoled.*

*Refrain: Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you!*

*Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!*

*Blest are they, the lowly ones, they shall inherit the earth.*

*Blest are they who hunger and thirst, they shall have their fill. (Refrain)*

*Blest are they who show mercy, mercy shall be theirs.*

*Blest are they the pure in heart, they shall see God! (Refrain)*

*Blest are they who seek peace: they are the children of God.  
Blest are they who suffer in faith, the glory of God is theirs. (Refrain)*

Receiving Our Offering  
Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation  
Prayer of Thanksgiving  
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.

Sharing the Bread and Wine

Prayer

*\*Sending Song*                      *Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling*                      *418*

*Softly and tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me.  
See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.  
Refrain: Come home, come home !  
    You who are weary, come home.  
    Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,  
    calling, O sinner, come home !*

*Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me ?  
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me ?  
(Refrain:)*

*O for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me !  
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me.  
(Refrain:)*

\*Blessing

*Postlude*                      *Recessional*