#### **GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

\*please stand as you are able

#### PRELUDE:

#### \*INTROIT MV #8: And on This Path

And on this path, the gates of holiness are open wide, **x3** Open wide! Open wide! The gates are open wide!

So enter in, the gates of holiness are open wide, **x3** Open wide! Open wide! The gates are open wide!

#### \*WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE:

Let our hospitality towards each other reflect God's love. The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

REFLECTIVE MUSIC MV #14: Where Two or Three Are Gathered Where two or three are gathered in my name.

I am there, I am there.

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP:

In all our travelling May your footsteps guide us In our journeying to work and returning May your footsteps guide us Within our homes and families May your footsteps guide us In our leisure time together May your footsteps guide us In difficult situations and conflict May your footsteps guide us As we stumble on the way May your footsteps guide us In the travelling of our faith May your footsteps guide us As we place our trust in you In all our travelling, Lord, may it be your footsteps in which we place our feet.

# \*PRAYER OF APPROACH: Spirit of God,

present with us, living in us, revealed through us, wisdom, guidance, power and peace. Spirit of God, fill us anew each day we ask, that our lives might overflow for you. Amen

\*HYMN # 220: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Gracious God, You call us to follow

and our footsteps falter, reach out your hand and we treat you as stranger, whisper our name and we simply ignore you. Gracious God,

slow to anger, swift to bless,

forgive us, restore us.

Grant us hearts that stand firm, a faith that is strong

and a hope that endures. Amen

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

On mountaintops and in valleys, in our homes and in our hearts, God knows us better than we know ourselves, and God forgives us when we cannot forgive ourselves. By God's mercy, we are forgiven;

by God's mercy, we are made whole;

Thanks be to God. Amen.

#### **CHILDREN'S TIME**

\*HYMN # 624: Give to Us Laughter

#### **OFFERING INVITATION**

#### OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY

\*OFFERTORY HYMN: #537: You Work, O God, Needs Many Hands Because we love you and your work, our offering now we make. Be pleased to use it as your own, we ask for Jesus' sake.

#### GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Holy Spirit,

Open our hearts to the story of your love.

Open our minds to new ways of knowing you.

Open our doors to whom all you would welcome. Amen

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 4:12 - 16

The Word of the Lord - Thanks be to God.

SUNG PSALM 90 page 806 vs. 1 - 4

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:17 - 31

The Word of the Lord - Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: Come Build a Church, by Don Hart

**SERMON:** 

\*HYMN # 649: Walk with Me

GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER (page 921)

\*HYMN # 633: Bless Now, O God, the Journey

#### PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE

Holy God, Dreamer of dreams,

We offer Cochrane Street United Church to you. We are your people, this is your church. We come to you seeking your guidance, your purpose, your vision. Align our will with yours, so that we will be willing to do whatever it takes to carry out your plan. We ask you to break through in new ways in our church. Show us the great ministry you have in store for us. Help us dream your dreams. Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, giving us the vision, boldness, and confidence to do all that you call us to do. Amen.

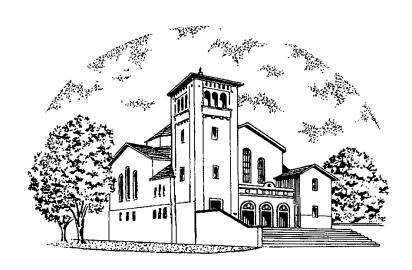
**COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION** 

SUNG BENEDICTION # 657: He Leadeth Me - vs. 1 & chorus

**POSTLUDE** 

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