

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE:

***INTROIT:** MV 135 Called by Earth and Sky

***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 #82: A Light Is Gleaming

A light is gleaming, spreading its arms throughout the night,
living in the light.

Come share its gladness, God's radiant love is burning bright,
living in the light.

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

What does the Lord require of us?

With what shall we come before God on high?

This is what God requires of us:

To do justice, love, kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

Let us worship God.

***PRAYER OF APPROACH:**

Holy God,

We will not stumble for your hand will guide

and in your footsteps we will follow.

We will not grow weary for your spirit sustains

and we shall be renewed.

From the depths of the earth

we shall soar upward on wings like eagles,

spread the news throughout the world,

run the race against all odds,

and shall prevail. Amen.

***HYMN # 409: Morning Has Broken**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of wholeness,

we bring our brokenness, our fears and despair,

and lay them at your feet.

God of healing,
God of wholeness,
we hold out hearts and hands,
minds and souls to feel your touch,
and know the peace that only you can bring.

God of healing,
God of wholeness,
this precious moment in your presence and power
grant us faith and confidence that here broken lives
are made whole. 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 MV # 176: Three Things I Promise**

OFFERING INVITATION & VOLUNTARY

***OFFERTORY HYMN MV # 191: What Can I Do?**

What can I do? What can I bring? What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer. I'll bring my love.
I'll do my share.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Holy God,
You speak to us in many ways,
through rushing wind or still small voice,
in Scripture's Word and through your Grace.
Help us hear your voice above the clamour of this world,
recognize the difference and follow only you. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 3:1 – 5, 10

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

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SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:14 – 20

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: I Will Sing With The Spirit

SERMON:

***HYMN # 563: Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore**

GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN # 560: O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee**

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 # 961:

**Let Us, O God, depart in peace,
who in your name are gathered here.**

Disclose the brightness of your face, and be forever near.

POSTLUDE

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