Order of Worship

**January 28, 2024**

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who are sad and long for comfort;*

*to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want friendship; to all who hunger and thirst for something real and lasting; and to all who come here, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome to you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Prelude** (*Please silence cell phones at this time*)

**Welcoming Song:**  *“What A Friend We Have in Jesus”*

**Welcome Guests and Greeting**\*

**Call to Worship:**  *Deacon David Smukala, Liturgist*

Leader: This is the day that you have made, Lord.

**People: Help us to rejoice in it and be glad!**

Leader: Remind us of the privileges we enjoy as your people:

**People: to come to you in these moments, to confess our sins, to receive forgiveness and give it, to pray and sing and listen, to renew our fainting spirits, to rest in all your promises.**

Leader: Open our eyes to see you, Lord. Open our ears to hear your Word.

**People: Visit us through your Holy Spirit, and help us to celebrate our faith. Amen.**

**Public Prayer of Confession:**  *(Psalm 25:6-8, 11, 16-18, NRSV)* ***Pastor Dustin***

**ALL: Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love,**

**for they have been from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me,**

**for your goodness’ sake, O LORD! Good and upright is the LORD;**

**therefore he instructs sinners in the way. For your name’s sake, O LORD,**

**pardon my guilt, for it is great. Turn to me and be gracious to me,**

**for I am lonely and afflicted. Relieve the troubles of my heart,**

**and bring me out of my distress. Consider my affliction and my trouble,**

**and forgive all my sins…Lord, hear our prayers.**

**Private and Silent Confession**

**Choir: “O Holy Night”**

**Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel** *Elder Roy Palk, Liturgist*

Liturgist: (*Psalm 103:8, 13-14, 17-18)*

 *The LORD is merciful and gracious,*

 *slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.*

 *As a father has compassion for his children,*

 *so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.*

 *For he knows how we were made; he remembers that we are dust.*

 *But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting*

 *on those who fear him,*

 *and his righteousness to children’s children, to those who keep his covenant*

 *and remember to do his commandments. —*

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**Congregational Singing: #***147 “How Great Thou Art”*

**Teaching Moment:**  *“Brighter. Deeper.”*

*Pastor Dustin*

*“Sermon on the Mount” INTRO 2 of 4*

**Pastoral Prayer and 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.***

**Offering and Offertory**

*(You are welcome to place your offering at the plates at this time, or one of the plates as you leave Worship, which are located near the exits. You may also give online. God bless you!)*

**Offering Song** *“Softly and Tenderly” arr. Ken Gallo*

**Doxology**

**Offertory Prayer to Thank God and Bless the Givers**

**Worship Through Music:** *“Standing on the Promises”*

**Prayer for the World and those in Need.**

**\*\*\*Announcements**

 *-Generosity/Giving*

 *-Fellowship Time \*\*\*Welcome and Invite* ***GUESTS*** *to breakfast\*\*\**

 *-Opportunities to Serve this church: Sound booth, projector and screen, children ministry*

 *-\*\*\*Point out the members of consistory: these are the spiritual leaders of the church. if you need anything please grab them today.*

***-\*\*\*Go to back to shake hands!***

**Benediction**