Order of Worship

**April 21, 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:**  *#597“Take My Life and Let It Be”*

**Welcome Guests and Greeting**\*

**Call to Worship:**  *Elder Roy Palk, Liturgist*

Leader: In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth. Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

**People: Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.**

**He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.**

Leader: Come now, all who thirst,

**People: and drink the water of life.**

Leader: Come now, all who hunger,

**People: and be filled with good things.**

Leader: Come now, all who seek,

**People: and be warmed by the fire of love.**

**Public Prayer of Confession:** *Pastor Dustin*

 **Leader:** God Almighty,

 in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done,

 we have sinned in ignorance;

 we have sinned in weakness;

 we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.

 We are truly sorry.

 We repent and turn to you.

 Forgive us and renew our lives.

 Lord, hear our prayers.

**Private and Silent Confession**

**Congregational Prayer** *Pastor Dustin*

**Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel:**

*(Ezekiel 36:25-26) Jeanie Smith, Liturgist*

 Liturgist: I will sprinkle clean water upon you,

 and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses,

 and from all your idols I will cleanse you.

 A new heart I will give you,

 and a new spirit I will put within you;

 and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.

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

**Congregational Singing:** *#686**“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”*

**Teaching Moment:** *“Hunger and Thirst”*

*Pastor Dustin*

**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:** *#673* *“Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone” arr. Ken Gallo*

**Doxology**

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

**Worship Through Music:** *#327 “The Old Rugged Cross”*

**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, church finance department*

 *-\*\*\*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**