Order of Worship

**FEB 16, 2025**

*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:**  *“Standing on the Promises”*

**Welcome Guests and Greeting**\*

**Opening Prayer:** *Bill Sandhoff, Liturgist*

**LEADER: Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place.**

**Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened.**

**Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged.**

**Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful find comfort.**

**Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed.**

**Here may the aged find consolation and the young be inspired;**

**through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**Call to Worship:** *(Matthew 11:28-29 NIV) Elder Roy Palk, Liturgist*

Leader: “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

**People: Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me;**

Leader: for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.”

**Public Prayer of Confession: (***based on Romans 8:39) Eileen Herring, Liturgist*

**Leader:** We know that nothing is able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ. Let us in freedom confess the wrong we have done. Lord, hear our prayers.

**Private and Silent Confession**

**Choir: “Heavenly Sunlight”**

**Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel** *Jeanie Smith, Liturgist*

(*based on Psalm 103:8-13, NRSV)*

**Liturgist:**

*The LORD is merciful and gracious,*

*slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.*

*He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever.*

 *He does not deal with us according to our sins,*

 *nor repay us according to our iniquities.*

 *For as the heavens are high above the earth,*

 *so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;*

 *as far as the east is from the west,*

 *so far he removes our transgressions from us.*

 *As a father has compassion for his children,*

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

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

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

**Teaching Moment:**  *“On Prayer”*

*Pastor Dustin*

*“Sermon on the Mount”*

**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: #636 “I Must Tell Jesus”**  *arr. by Ken Gallo*

**Doxology**

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

**Worship Through Music:**  *“Good, Good Father”*

**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*

 *-New Member Class today!*

 *-\*\*\*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**