

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

***Gathering Hymn #402:** "How Lovely, Lord"

Invitation to Confession:

Almighty God, You love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We Condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.

God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, Amen

Quiet Reflection

Assurance of Grace

One: Friends, hear and share the good news:

ALL: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made whole. Thanks be to God!

Response to Grace: #447 "We are forgiven" x 1

Choir Anthem "Honey in the Rock" Jonathan Adams

GROW IN FAITH

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings Matthew 21: 23-27

Scripture Reading Matthew 21:28-32

Time for Wonder "Working for God"

Blessing Kids: *God be with you while you stay. People: God be with you while you go*

Reflection on the Word "You Better Work: God Works in Us when We Work for God"

***Hymn #432**

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People:

WL: Let us remember those of other faiths on this day/week and the lessons for the world associated with this time of year. For those of the Catholic faith: The Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul, the patron saint of charitable societies.

ALL: May we as a church community also work to help provide food and clothing and shelter for those without.

WL: Let us remember Lords Acre Day: begun in the 1920s expanded during the Great Depression of the 1930s to become an annual community and church celebration with members donating the proceeds or yields from a designated parcel of land, goods, or services to support local church funding, building projects, and charities.

ALL: May we as a church community continue to donate to support our church and community.

WL: For those of the Jewish faith: Sukkot also known as (the Feast of Tabernacles) which commemorates the temporary shelters used by the Israelites during their 40 years traveling through the desert after leaving Egypt. It also serves as a traditional harvest celebration giving thanks for the bounty of the earth.

ALL: May we as a church community work to provide food and clothing and shelter for those without

WL: Islam: Arba'een: This day marks the end of the traditional 40-day mourning period after the death of the prophet Mohammad's grandson. Those who don't live in the near East gather at local mosques and centers worldwide to honor the stand against tyranny, injustice, and oppression.

ALL: May we as a church community work to stand against tyranny, injustice, and oppression.

The Lord's Prayer: Page 35 in hymnal

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and power, and the glory, forever. Amen

REACH OUT TO OTHERS

Offering Invitation & Dedication

***Doxology #607**

Our Life Together

***Sending Hymn #700**

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

Blessing & Charge

Passing the Peace: Pastor

One: May the peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Share signs of God's peace with one another.

Postlude