Sunday, November 24, 2013  8:30am

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As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord’s presence.

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.

*“Be still and know that I am God.”* Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE  *“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”* – arr. Burkhardt

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 89*

 Leader: I will sing of Your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Your faithfulness to all generations.

 **People: I declare that Your steadfast love is established forever;**

 **Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

\*HYMN *“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” No. 551*

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**Gracious and giving God, we remain overwhelmed by Your generosity. Our lives are markers of Your faithfulness, and our praises rise up to You today. We are thankful for Your provisions, we are thankful for our families, we are thankful for our safety and shelter, we are thankful for the abundance of blessings that we receive from You. But we are especially thankful for Your son Jesus Christ who has given us eternal life through his sacrifice and love. Forgive us Lord when in the midst of our complaints we forget how blessed we truly are. We pray this through Jesus our Savior, Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

*[Please share Christ’s peace with one another with*

 *handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]*

\*HYMN *“Our God, Our Help in Age Past”*

**Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,**

**Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.**

 (Children may come up front during the hymn for the Children’s Message)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE David Griffith

SCRIPTURE READING *Ecclesiastes 5:1-7 (OT p617)*

SERMON *“Living the Dream”* Rev. Thomas Lefever

\*HYMN *“We Gather Together”* *No. 559*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER  *(pg. 16 in the hymnal)*

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

 OFFERTORY *“For the Fruit of All Creation”*

 \*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*APOSTLES’ CREED *(p.14 in the hymnal)*

\*HYMN *“Now Thank We All Our God”* *No. 555*

\*BENEDICTION & RESPONSE

**Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me. Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now. With every step I take let this be my solemn vow. To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.**

\*POSTLUDE  *“Festive Trumpet Tune”* – German

***“Come As You Are”***

11:00am

Greeting & Announcements

\*Praise & Worship

*Today is The Day*

*Desert Song*

*How Great is the Love*

*Give Thanks*

Prayer & Peace

Children’s Message: David Griffith

Scripture Reading:

*Ecclesiastes 5:1-7*

Sermon  *“Living the Dream”*

\*Closing Song

*Strong God*

\*Benediction

Sermon Notes:

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