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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 “O God, Thou Faithful God” – Karg-Elert

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL  
(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Why have you gathered here?

**People: We have responded to the gospel of God’s love  
for us in Jesus Christ.**

Leader: What do you hope to do here?

**People: We hope to be united with the faithful of all ages,  
tongues, and races in praising the God of love and  
power.**

Leader: With what mission will you be sent from this place?

**People: To be God’s servants in serving humanity, to  
spread the gospel, and to resist the powers of evil.  
Let us then draw near to God, who promises to  
forgive us, to fill us with courage, and to be  
present with us in this world and the world to  
come. Amen**

\*HYMN “God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand” No. 262

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**Caring and Compassionate Creator, we enter this place set apart for Your worship, knowing that we have failed  
to see You in other places. We have ignored Your beauty around us, in earth and sky, in plants and creatures, in  
the people who surround us. We have chosen to live more by our fears and our hurts than by our faith, to be  
weighed down by what we do not have, rather than rejoicing in the gifts You have given us. In these moments  
together, draw us close so that we cannot help but know every day that You are with us, wherever we go.  
Enlarge our capacity to care, strengthen our faith, so that we may see You in all whom we meet. In Jesus’ name.  
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

*“Spirit of the Living God”*  
**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

David Griffith

SCRIPTURE READING

*Ephesians 3:7-21 (NT p193)*

SERMON

Rev. Erin Cox-Holmes

*“Wordbanks and the Fourth of July”*

\*HYMN

*“How Firm a Foundation”* No. 361

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

*Meditation of “Evan” - Young*

\*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.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Welcome

Words of Institution

Distribution

Prayer

\*ALLELUIA

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*Fantasy on “Materna” – Kirkland*

**NEXT WEEK**  
Matthew 12:9-14  
Genesis 39:6b-23  
*“When Doing the Right Thing Gets You Into Trouble”*

**11:00am**

Greeting & Announcements

\*Praise & Worship  
*God of Wonders*  
*Today is the Day*  
*America the Beautiful*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message: David Griffith

Scripture Reading  
*Ephesians 3:7-21*

\*Hymn: *How Firm a Foundation*

Sermon *"Wordbanks and the Fourth of July"*

Communion

\*Offering/Closing Song  
*Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)*

\*Benediction

SERMON NOTES:

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