

\*Song of Gathering

“As We Gather”

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**As we gather, may your Spirit work within us.  
As we gather, may we glorify your name.  
Knowing well that, as our hearts begin to worship,  
We'll be blessed because we came,  
We'll be blessed because we came!**

Welcome and Announcements

Pat Cunningham

Centering Bell

Music to Prepare Our Hearts

"America the Beautiful"

Kristie Janczyk

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\*Call to Worship

Psalm 8:1, 3-5, CEB

L: Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name throughout the earth!

**P: You made your glory higher than heaven!**

L: When I look up at your skies, at what your fingers made—the moon and the stars that you set firmly in place—

**P: what are human beings that you think about them; what are human beings that you pay attention to them?**

L: You've made them only slightly less than divine, crowning them with glory and grandeur.

**P: Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name throughout the earth!**

\*Song of Praise

“How Majestic Is Your Name”

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**O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.**

**O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.**

**O Lord! We praise your name.**

**O Lord! We magnify your name,**

**Prince of Peace, mighty God;**

**O Lord God Almighty! (repeat)**

A Season of Prayer

Invitation to Prayer

2 Chronicles 7:14

A Time of Quiet for personal prayer

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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**Our Father who art in heaven  
Hallowed be thy name  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done<sup>16</sup>  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread  
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us  
And lead us not into temptation  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever! Amen!**

Special Music

“We Are the Church”

Ginny Hildebrand  
Robert Ma’umatapule, Jr.

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Scripture Reading

Genesis 2:8-15

L: Word of God! Word of Life!

**P: Thanks be to God!**

\*Song of Preparation

“Let’s Sing unto the Lord”

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**Let’s sing unto the Lord  
A hymn of glad rejoicing.  
Let’s sing a hymn of love,  
At the new day’s fresh beginning.  
God made the sky above,  
The stars, the sun, the oceans;  
And God saw it was good,  
For those works were filled with beauty.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Let’s sing unto the Lord.  
Alleluia!**

**Let’s sing unto the Lord  
A hymn of adoration,  
Which shows our love and faith  
And the hope of all creation.  
Through all that has been made,  
The Lord is praised for greatness,  
And so we sing to God,  
who bestows such lovely blessings!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**  
**Let's sing unto the Lord.**  
**Alleluia!**  
**Let's sing unto the Lord.**  
**Alleluia!**

Message

“God’s Playground”

Rev. Sharon Pajak

We Share Our Gifts

Invitation to Giving

Song During Offering

"Reflection"

Kristie Janczyk

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**\*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow!**  
**Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!**  
**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**  
**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**  
**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)

**Creating God, from the beginning, you formed light out of darkness, breath from dust, and life from love. In Christ, you walked among us, and through your Spirit, you empower us still. Today, we offer our gifts—signs of our desire to partner with you in your ongoing work of creation, healing, and discipleship. Use these offerings to build communities of compassion, to welcome the stranger, and to teach your ways of justice and joy. May our giving reflect the wonder of your Triune love and our willingness to go and grow disciples in your name. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Response

“On the Beach, the Waves of Waters”

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**On the beach, the waves of waters**  
**Crash upon the sparkling sand.**  
**Parents with their sons and daughters**  
**Stroll and chatter, hand in hand.**  
**Several people, watching, gazing,**  
**Spot some dolphins swimming free.**  
**God, your world is so amazing!**  
**Thank you for the wondrous sea.**

**Later on, the storm clouds gather,**

**Rolling in upon the shore.  
Lightning crashes, people scatter  
As the rains begin to pour.  
There is music in the thunder!  
Soon the storms will pass on by.  
God, we thank you for the wonder  
Of the ever-changing sky.**

**In our homes and on vacation,  
God, your love is every place.  
You have made this good creation;  
You have filled your world with grace.  
Sea and land reflect your glory;  
Beauty lights your sky above.  
God, creation sings the story  
Of your ever-constant love.**

\*Blessing

\*Music for Going Forth

“When We All Get to Heaven”

Dr. Kristie Janczyk

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