

9:00 a.m. *Early Service* June 1, 2014

Entering God's Presence *A Joyous Acclamation* Lani Smith

***Here I Am To Worship** Tim Hughes

(Verse 1) *Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see, Beauty that made this heart adore you, hope of a life spent with you.*

Refrain: *So here I am to worship; here I am to bow down; here I am to say that you're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.*

Repeat Refrain

*Expressing Our Joy Lynn Riker

Leader: God is our light and our salvation: whom shall we fear?

People: God is the stronghold of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid?

Leader: God lifts us up from our doubts and fears, granting us confidence and courage.

People: We have come to worship God and seek wisdom, to find shelter and help amid life's storms.

Leader: May the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. (Congregation seated.)

Guided Silent Prayer: *Musical Meditation* **Meditation** Todd Beaney

Invitation to Self-Examination and Confession of our Need for God's Forgiveness (unison)

Patient God, we confess that we have walked in our own way, wasting our days in trivial pursuits and destroying the precious gifts you have entrusted to us. We have grasped for bread that does not satisfy and turned away from living water that brings life. Our worst enemies lie within us. Deliver us, we pray, from our self-centeredness, and open us to new ways of relating to you and one another.

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Life in the Community The Rev. Vance E. Polley

*Song 249 (Green Songbook) **Remembering with Love and Hope** LAND OF REST

Exodus 16:4-7a (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 60 in the pew Bible.]

Mark 6:30-44 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 38-39 in the pew Bible.]

Communion Meditation **The Bread of Life** The Rev. Vance E. Polley

Dedicating Our Lives, Gifts, and Tithes

Offertory

(You are invited to bring your offering to God forward and place it on the Communion Table at the front of the sanctuary. You may come down the center aisle and return to your seat by the side aisles.)

*Song No. 219 (Green Songbook) **We Give You Thanks** (Sing twice) LOCKWARD

We give you thanks. We give you praise.

For you are kind, you are love, you are God!

We give you thanks.

*Prayer of Dedication

The Lord's Supper

(All who are baptized are invited to share in *The Lord's Supper*. Please come forward and have a seat on the front pew. Communion is served by intinction, taking a piece of bread and then dipping it in the cup. The wafers in the small basket are gluten-free.)

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving, concluding with *The Lord's Prayer*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

*Song 246 (Green Songbook) **As Your Family, Lord** KUM BA JAH

*Blessing

*Going Out into the World **Go Forth in Faith** Lani Smith

*All those who are able, please stand.