Receiving our Offering Offertory

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

*Prayer of Dedication

*Sending Song All Creatures of our God and King

15

O brother wind with clouds and rain, you nurture gifts of fruit and grain.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
O sister water, flowing clear, make music for your Lord to hear.
Sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O brother fire, so warm and bright, chase off the shadows of the night. Alleluia! Alleluia! Dear mother earth, who day by day unfolds such blessings on our way, sing praises! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

And you, most gentle sister death, waiting to hush our final breath:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom, fair is the night that leads us home.
Sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Blessing Postlude

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Thy Word Is A Lamp Unto My Feet Praise Band

Call to Worship

Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

Your word is our heritage forever, the joy of our hearts.

*Gathering Song All Creatures of our God and King 15

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia! Alleluia! O brother sun with golden beam, O sister moon with silver gleam, sing praises! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All who for love of God forgive, all who in pain or sorrow grieve, Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ bears your burdens and your fears; so, even in the midst of tears, sing praises! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! O sisters, brothers, take your part, and worship God with humble heart. Alleluia! Alleluia! All creatures, bless the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One! Sing praises! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Patient and persistent God, we come, polished and presentable, to this comfortable room as if we knew what to expect, as if this were a safe and predictable place, as if we could simply observe. Holy One, forgive our tepid expectations. In the mystery of your love, overshadow us. Plant the seeds of your gospel in each of our hearts until we bloom and spill with your passion to serve in a world that is wasting. Amen.

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Scripture

Psalm 119:105-112

¹⁰⁵ Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. ¹⁰⁶ I have sworn an oath and confirmed it to observe your righteous ordinances. ¹⁰⁷ I am severely afflicted; give me life, O LORD, according to your word. ¹⁰⁸ Accept my offerings of praise, O LORD, and teach me your ordinances. ¹⁰⁹ I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law ¹¹⁰ The wicked have laid a snare for me, but I do not stray from your precepts. ¹¹¹ Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart. ¹¹² I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

Special Music This Is My Father's World Mark Allebach and Woody Johnson

Scripture Genesis 25:19-34 See Insert

Message From Promise to Blessing Rev. Edward Dunn

*Responding Song I Can Only Imagine

I can only imagine, What it will be like When I walk, By your side I can only imagine, What my eyes will see When your face, Is before me I can only imagine, I can only imagine

Refrain: Surrounded by Your glory, what will my heart feel Will I dance for you Jesus or in awe of you be still Will I stand in your presence or to my knees will I fall Will I sing hallelujah, will I be able to speak at all I can only imagine, I can only imagine

I can only imagine, When that day comes
And I find myself, Standing in the sun
I can only imagine, When all I will do
Is forever, Forever worship You
I can only imagine, I can only imagine (Refrain)

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

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 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.

^{*}Call to Confession

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