

Sunday, November 6 , 2022

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

*PRELUDE "Wayfaring Stranger" John Tedstrom

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are called to remember that God loves the world.

People: We are the salt of the earth.

Leader: We are called to remember that God's love gives us life.

People: We are the light of the world.

Leader: We are called to embrace and live into the essence of the commandments and the law now fully ours in Jesus.

People: The Law of God is to love God and to love one another.

Leader: Come, let us be the salt of the earth, the light of the world.

People: Come, let us love one another with the love of God.

Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*SONG "This Little Light of Mine" Praise Band

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you know when we are afraid to love; you know when we are too cowardly to show mercy. Remind us again that perfect love casts out such fears. Surround us and strengthen us with your perfect love, even in the face of our many imperfections, known and unknown. Imbue us with a love so strong, with such growth toward perfection, that we may put aside our pride and embrace the power of your love. Continue to listen to us as we confess the ways we each have fallen short

of the love you call us to live out with others. [Silent prayers.] Lord, how gracious your love is to us who fall short of the love-filled life so very often. Thank you for hearing our prayers. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF READINESS

Generous God, you have chosen to make yourself known to us in so many ways. We see you in the beauty of your creation, in Jesus the Word made flesh, in your written Word given to teach us, in the lives of your people surrounding us in community. As we open up the Scriptures now, open our eyes to your generous ways so that we can see you more clearly. Help us to live generously in response to your love. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

SERMON "On The Wings of Love: God's Mission of Love"

Scripture 1 John 4: 7-10

RESPONDING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Deanna Heyn

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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OFFERING

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SONG: "Have I Told You Lately" Don Watson

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE Instrumental

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