Journeying Together to Know Christ's Love, and To Make Christ Known

August 6, 2023

#### **GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

PRELUDE

WELCOME

\*WORDS OF BLESSING

\*HYMN #333 "Seek

"Seek Ye First"

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing a new song to the Lord! Let the whole earth sing to the Lord!

#### People: We will sing to the Lord and praise God's name. Each day, including today, we proclaim the good news that God saves.

Leader: Tell of God's glorious deeds among all nations, among all people. Tell everyone about the amazing things God does. **People: Great is the Lord who is most worthy of praise! Honor and majesty surround the Lord, strength and beauty fill God's sanctuary.** 

Leader: Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, rich in mercy to all who call on you, hear us as we humbly confess our sins. We call to you for mercy and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by what we have done and said, and in the ways our hearts' desires have drawn us from your ways. We have been disobedient, ungrateful, proud and willful. We have failed and fallen short in our relationship with you and with our neighbors. [... time for silent personal confession ...] Have mercy on us, most merciful God. Help us to serve and please you more and more as we live on the way of Jesus increasingly in the ways of Jesus. In his name we pray, Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

MUSIC "Think of Me and Remember" Sanctuary Choir

## LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Ed & Barbara Lukes

SERMON "Life to the Full: The Essence of Life" Scripture: Matthew 7:7-12

## **RESPONDING AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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## OFFERING

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MUSIC "Knocking On Heavens Door" Praise Band

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## **GOING IN GOD'S NAME**

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

# POSTLUDE

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#### AUTHENTIC ZIMBABWEAN DINNER

SATURDAY AUG 19 @ 6 PM

ONLINE SILENT AUCTION AUGUST 1 THRU 19

BENEFIT FOR HEATHER CHIMHOGA ORPHAN CARE IN ZIMBABWE

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10:45am: Ride as a group from ERPC to Nottingham Lake, or just drive and meet us on the North side of the lake... 11:00am -1:00 Bring a picnic lunch, beach chairs/blanket and lake toys! Ice Cream Cones provided by ERPC 12:30pm



SIGN-UP IN THE NARTHEX