# Order of Worship OCTOBER 16, 2022

#### Meditation – Psalm 111:10

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

#### Songs of Adoration – 2

## Call to Worship – Psalm 34:7-11

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him! Oh, fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack! The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing. Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

#### **Prayer of Adoration**

#### **Confession of Sin**

O God, early in the morning I cry to You. Help me to pray and to concentrate on You: I cannot do this alone. In me there is darkness, but with You there is light. I am lonely, but You do not leave me; I am feeble in heart, but with You there is help; I am restless, but with You there is peace; in me there is bitterness, but with You there is patience; I do not understand Your ways, but You know the way for me. Restore and enable me to live in freedom from sin. Lord, whatever this day may bring, Your name be praised. Amen.

(adapted from Dietrich Bonhoeffer)

## Assurance of Pardon

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

(Isaiah 40:1-2)

Songs of Worship – 2

**Offering and Doxology** 

# New Testament Reading – Matthew 10:24-31

A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.

Reader: "The Word of the Lord" Congregation: "Thanks Be to God"

# Welcome / Announcements

# Dismissal of Children to Children's Church

# Song of Preparation – 1

## Sermon Text – Exodus 20:18-21

Now when all the people saw the thunder and the flashes of lightning and the sound of the trumpet and the mountain smoking, the people were afraid and trembled, and they stood far off <sup>19</sup> and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, lest we die." <sup>20</sup> Moses said to the people, "Do not fear, for God has come to test you, that the fear of him may be before you, that you may not sin." <sup>21</sup> The people stood far off, while Moses drew near to the thick darkness where God was.

Sermon – "Fearing God"

Song of Response – 1

Benediction