



Gathering


PRELUDE*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

arr. Don Whitman

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Fair

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

One: If God is for us, who can be against us?

All: Nothing can separate us from God's love.

One: Come, let us worship God.

*** HYMN 654***In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful**** HYMN 714***God of the Fertile Fields*

ITALIAN HYMN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the fertile fields, you love us so much that you sent Christ to make us one. Yet we forget what's really important. We are poor stewards of your kingdom, we ignore your bounteous hand, and we are so scattered we forget what's really important. Forgive us, we pray. We call on you to help us conquer our sins. May we conquer hate, conquer insecurities, conquer apathy, and conquer injustice. May we conquer them through the love Jesus has shown us through his life, death, and resurrection.

SILENT CONFESSION**ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS***** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

You are invited to share signs with one another of the peace we experience as forgiven people. Greet one another saying, "The peace of Christ be with you," and respond, "And also with you."

*** CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE****Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!**


Proclaiming


PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Linda Strodman (8:00)

Paul Goodman (11:00)

FIRST READING

Romans 8:26-39

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.****SUNG PSALM**

Psalm 119:129-136

*Please sing:***Order my steps in your word. Please, order my steps in your word.**

SECOND READING Matthew 13:31-52 (selected verses)

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SERMON

Words of Leaving

Words of Sending

Rev. Ryo

Rev. Sanderford

Carol and Paul Smith

Responding

HYMN 771

What Is the World Like

NEW WORLD

Please sing when indicated:

Stanzas 1 and 2 – soloist

Please stand.

Stanzas 3-5 – all

WELCOME

Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it to others sitting nearby.

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

Fairest Lord Jesus (11:00)

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* **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**

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (8:00)

See Communion Card

During the distribution, please join the soloist when indicated:

... Come to the table of ... This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.

Sending

* **HYMN 775**

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

WALK WITH ME

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **HYMN 80**

You Shall Go Out with Joy

THE TREES OF THE FIELD

* Please rise in body or spirit.

Those parts of the service of worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in **bold type**.