

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 19, 2025

10:00 am

### **GATHERING MUSIC**

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

INTROIT
CALL TO WORSHIP\*

God, stretching to the heavens?
God, lofty like the clouds?

God, mighty like the mountains?
God, immense like the great deep?

Your salvation is expansive and generous, touching people and creatures alike.

We rejoice in the measures of your steadfast love!

HYMN\* "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

<sup>\*</sup>please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.

#### PRAYER OF PRAISE\*

# Confession of Sin (unison)

Almighty God, we confess that we have been led astray by the idols of our world. We have depended on our possessions and have not placed our trust in your grace. We have carelessly consumed the gifts you offer and have failed to be faithful stewards of the earth's resources. We have sought security in the might of the sword rather than the strength of your Holy Spirit. Forgive us, we pray. Lead us to true repentance that we may serve you faithfully.

## [silence]

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE\*

#### RESPONSE TO PARDON

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Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

#### A TIME WITH CHILDREN

NEW TESTAMENT – Romans 5:1-11

Ann Marie Conner

OFFERING OF MUSIC

Adult Choir

"They'll Know We Are Christians"

GOSPEL - Luke 18:9-14

**SERMON** 

Dr. Linda Dickerson

"What Do We Mean When We Say 'Justification'?"

## 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.

HYMN\* "I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" 624

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION\*

## CHORAL RESPONSE\*

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"Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone. Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own. In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever. Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own."

## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION -

Purpose: Electing 2025 Nominating Committee, Voting on Terms of Call for the Minister, Receiving Session Annual Reports and Budget

FELLOWSHIP TIME - All are Welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

SERMON SERIES: What do we mean when we say . . .

January 19 - Justification

January 26 - Sanctification

February 2 - Predestination

February 9 - Perseverance of the Saints