

### Gathering for Worship

No. 11

VT - Voices Together hymnal (purple)

Prelude

### **Praising**

Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 100) Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. We come to worship the LORD with gladness; we come into God's presence with singing. Know that the LORD is God. It is God who has made us, and we are God's; we are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture. Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and God's courts with praise. We come giving thanks to God, and offering our praise. For God is good. God's steadfast love endures forever, and God's faithfulness extends to all generations.

Hymn: VT 123 – Come, Ye Thankful People Lighting the Peace Lamp

# Confessing

Confession (adapted from Psalm 95 & Ezekiel 34)

Eternal God, we come before you with thanksgiving today.

We are your people, the sheep of your pastures.

You are a model shepherd, leading us to rest and nourishment.

Yet we do not always follow your lead.

Too often we stray from life giving paths of hospitality and justice.

Too often we have neglected our neighbor.

Call out to us now, that we may hear your voice.

Call out to us now, that we may remember the ways of hospitality and justice.

Silence

Words of Assurance

Hymn: VT 718 – Gentle Shepherd, Come and Lead Us

## Hearing The Word

Time for Children

Scripture Reading Matthew 25:31-46

Message: Longing for Reign

Hymn: VT 64 - As Long as Jesus' Reign Goes On

### Responding

Responses
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Please come forward to the mic if you wish to share something.
Praying Together

Work of the Church
Welcoming our Guests
Announcements

The Ministry of Giving Children's Offering Offertory Prayer of Dedication

# Sending

Hymn: VT 809 - Sing a New World into Being

**Benediction**