

September 12, 2010

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all you people.

P: Serve the Lord with gladness; come before God's presence with singing.

L: Know that the Lord is God.

P: It is God who made us, we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

L: Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into God's courts with praise;

P: Be thankful and bless God's name.

L: For the Lord is good;

P: God's mercy is everlasting; and God's truth endures to all generations. Amen.

*HYMN *"Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know"* UMH No. 163

PRAYER OF CONFESSION **God, you are the Good Shepherd. We confess we are often stubborn sheep. We do not like to listen, we like to go our own ways, and do not trust you to lead us safely to green pastures. Our inability to follow your lead leaves us lost, alone, and separated from you and our community. Thank you for finding us when we've intentionally wandered away from you. Thank you for finding us when we ignored your calling. Thank you for finding us when we did not realize we were lost. In Jesus' Name, Amen.** MOMENT OF SILENCE

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Hear the Good News, Christ died for us while we were yet sinners, that proves God's love for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Amen.**

PASSING THE PEACE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

HYMN OF REFLECTION *"Lead Me, Lord"*

UMH No. 473

MORNING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Luke 15:1-10*

SERMON *"AMBER Alert"*

Wendy Mohler

*HYMN *"Amazing Grace"*

UMH No. 378

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

OFFERTORY *Please put your name on offering envelope.*

GIVING OF GIFTS, TITHES, OFFERINGS

*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 THANKSGIVING **Almighty God, we offer these gifts to you in thanksgiving. There are many lost sheep around us. Help us to use these gifts to find those lost in depression, lost in loneliness, lost in poverty, and those who have lost hope all together. You deemed us valuable enough to find us while we were lost, lead us as we use these gifts to find those who are lost and to remind them that you deem them worthy of being found. In Jesus' Name, Amen.**

*HYMN *"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* UMH No. 381

*CIRCLE OF LOVE *o Blest Be the Tie that Binds,* No. 557

*LORD'S PRAYER *BENEDICTION *POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand.