

September 4, 2011

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

Leader: Praise him, all his angels;

People: Praise him, all his host!

(Psalm 148)

*HYMN “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” UMH No. 139

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Creator God, we invite you into this space and into our hearts. Shine your loving light into the corners of our lives where we still live in darkness. Help us to forgive those who have wronged us, letting go of old hurts. And forgive us for the wrongs we have done to others by our actions, our words, or even our inaction. Thank you for your healing presence. We pray in the name of your son, Jesus Christ. 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, we are forgiven. **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven indeed. Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

MISSION MOMENT

Aileen Mroz

JOYS AND CONCERNS

HYMN OF REFLECTION “Lead Me, Lord” UMH No. 473
MORNING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE LESSON *Matthew 18:15-20*

SERMON: “Two or Three ” Grace Turner

*HYMN “Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether” UMH No. 632

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

GIVING OF GIFTS, TITHES, OFFERINGS OFFERTORY

(In response to God’s love, we gather our gifts, reflecting on what God has done in our lives this week. Please put your name on offering envelope.)

*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 GRATITUDE

As we present these gifts out of gratitude for your many blessings, Dear God, receive them and use them for your work in the world. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

*HYMN “Lord, Speak to Me” UMH No. 463

*CIRCLE OF LOVE **Blest Be the Tie That Binds, No. 557, v.1**

*LORD’S PRAYER - BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Those who are able, please stand.