# GATHER IN GOD'S HOUSE

MUSIC OF PREPARATION Dr. Emma Pettyjohn

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Please take a few minutes to greet those nearest you. If you are a guest, welcome to worship! We're glad you're worshiping with us!

We encourage guests to fill out an information card and place it in the offering plate.

### GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP AND CONFESSION

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Mike Nelson

PRELUDE FOR WORSHIP "I Sing the Almighty Power of God"

(A time to prepare your heart to enter the presence of God. "Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10)

CALL TO WORSHIP Kenneth Bailey

Leader: Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?

People: We long to hear God's Word spoken to our hearts.

Leader: Who among you is seeking God's holy truth?

People: We long to learn the ways of wisdom and righteousness.

Leader: Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?

People: We long to live lives of holiness and light.

All: God grants God's wisdom generously to all who ask.

Come near, people of God! Let us worship in wisdom and truth.

\*HYMN #1 "Holy, Holy, Holy" NICAEA

THE NEW CITY CATECHISM, Question 44

Question: What is baptism?

Answer: Baptism is the washing with water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; it

signifies and seals our adoption into Christ, our cleansing from sin, and our commitment to belong

to the Lord and to his church.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Dr. Ron Bowie

We confess that we are quick to put our hope in places other than You. We are often more driven by our fears than by our faith in You and Your Kingdom. We place our trust in health, jobs, money, and perceived safety rather than in You. Forgive us for seeking power when we should be modeling the gentle humility of Jesus. Hear now our silent prayers...(silent prayers of confession).

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #373

"Give Thanks"

GIVE THANKS

NEED

arr. Sikes

Give thanks with a grateful heart; Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.
And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; Let the poor say, "I am rich."
Because of what the Lord has done for us! Give thanks.

### WE ACKNOWLEDGE GOD'S ABUNDANT BLESSINGS

#### TIME FOR CHILDREN

(After a Time for Children, children are invited to their own services. Ages 3-1st grade are in the nursery wing and 2nd-5th graders remain in worship for the summer)

\*HYMN #404 "I Need Thee Every Hour" (verses 1-4)

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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.

THE READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Kenneth Bailey

1 Kings 3:1-15, Page 282

OUR OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory "Jerusalem, My Happy Home"

arr. Held

\*The Doxology #706 OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

ANTHEM "Jesus is the Song" . SIMPSON

(The text for this anthem can be found in Hymn #598 in *Celebrating Grace*.)

THE PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

THE READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES

1 Kings 3:16-28 Page 283

Rev. Deb Trimpe

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOD'S WORD TODAY "Wise King Solomon"

# WE DEPART TO SERVE AND WITNESS

\*HYMN #570 "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" Trust in Jesus

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION "Go with Us, Lord" TALLIS CANON

\*CLOSING PRAYER

THE POSTLUDE "Cortege" G. Young

\*Stand as able.

Elders of the Week: Deb Williams, Mike Nelson
Traditional Lay Leader: Kenneth Bailey
Traditional Service Ushers/Greeters: Bob & Jan Rhodes, Billy & Brandi Leopold
Traditional Gathering Hosts: Stacie McDonough

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