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22nd Sunday After Pentecost

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Shawn Pearce-Chambers	Lay Leader
Mary Bellinger	Song Leader

*Indicates those who are able to please stand

WE GATHER TOGETHER

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF SALVATION

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE)

The Lord has been our dwelling place in all generations.

From everlasting to everlasting, God is God; and so we come to worship.

God satisfies us every morning with steadfast love;

Let us rejoice and be glad all our days.

Tell of God's glorious power and praise God's holy name.

We will offer God the work of our hands and praise from the depths of our hearts. Amen.

CHORAL INTROIT Spirit, Spirit Of Gentleness VU#375

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free. Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea

PRAYER OF APPROACH (UNISON)

God, our God, you are gracious and loving, holy and eternal;
your love is steadfast, your presence ever near. Your wisdom is older than time and as fresh as the morning dew. Your name has come to us through the centuries, yet you can always do a new thing to draw us back to you. Holy God: Creator, Christ and Spirit, Three and One, we offer you our prayers and praise this day in humble expectation; refresh our understanding and nurture our readiness to serve you. Amen.

***HYMN Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise VU#264**

STORIES FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Merciful God, you know our hearts, the times we truly loved one another and the times we merely tolerated each other. You know our minds; the times we focused on you and the times we pursued our own purposes. You know our bodies, the times we have served you and the times we have served only ourselves. Forgive us for the times we went our own way, and renew our commitment to live lives marked by your grace.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ANTHEM

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF UNDERSTANDING (UNISON)

Lord God, as we listen to the Scriptures this day, send your Holy Spirit so we encounter your Living Word. Open our hearts to respond in love and service for Christ's sake. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 48:1-11 (NRSV)

SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 1:7 & 4:12 (NRSV)

MESSAGE "Prepared in Fire"

***HYMN A Mighty Fortress Is Our God VU#262**

WE RESPOND IN LOVE

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY Take My Life And Let It Be VU#506**

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN For The Healing Of The Nations VU#678**

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

***CHORAL BLESSING Go Now In Peace (Besig)**

POSTLUDE