MOMENT FOR MISSION Susan Cash

#### **PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**Invitation to the Offering** 

The Offertory Peaceful Piano in D-flat Major Mark Hayes

\*The Doxology #709 God, We Honor You James E. Clemens

God, we honor you. God, we trust in you.
God we worship and adore you.
Take what we bring, offered to you.
Teach us to show your abundant blessings.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn #767 Together We Serve Daniel C. Damon

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE If You Put Trust in God to Guide You Bradley Sowash

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# WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME Rev. Lynn Stone

PRELUDE For All the Saints William How

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Karen Green

Leader: When God stops by, everything changes.

People: Rivers turn to dry land;

the deserts turn into springs.

Leader: The hungry are fed, the lost are guided home.

People: Come to us, mighty God,

and transform our hearts and souls.

\*Hymn #732 Rejoice in God's Saints Fred P. Green

### WE CONFESS AND RECEIVE FORGIVENESS

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Christ who kneels to wash our feet,

Despite your clear example, we cannot shake our usual ways of life.

We admit we are tempted by honor and status.

We admit we like to seem holier than we are.

We admit we like to be respected more than others.

We admit we would rather be "great" than a servant.

But you who are the greatest became the servant of all. Help us to imitate you. Humble us that we might be not just the image of your disciple, but that we actually embody your teachings.

(We silently confess our sins.)

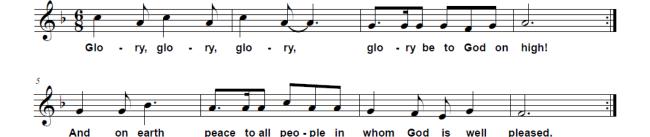
### **WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

Friends, God has made a way where there was no way. In Christ Jesus evil and death have been vanquished and we live in a state of grace.

Believe the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

\*GLORIA Pablo Sosa



### **WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

ANTHEM Lord, Grant Peace to All Your Servants Walter Ehret

Worship in Action Kim Wisnia

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 23:1-12

SERMON Being a Servant

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

#### **\*Affirmation of Faith**

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.

Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:

Jesus Christ is Lord!

### **SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Communication Meditation Come, Let Us Eat John Helgen

**Prayer After Communion** 

We give you thanks, Lord Jesus Christ, for the gifts of grace we have received from your hand. Now send us forth to reflect your light, proclaiming your saving death and resurrection until you come again in glory.

Amen.