***OCTOBER 5, 2025***

**Prelude**

*As We Gather,* arr. Carol Tornquist

*As the Deer/Fairest Lord Jesus,* arr. Mark Hayes

*I Love You, Lord,* arr. Mark Hayes

*Jesus, Name Above All Names/O, How I Love Jesus,* arr. Mark Hayes

**Welcome and Congregational Life**

**Time of Silence and Ringing of the Gathering Bell**

**\*Call to Worship** Psalm 108:1-5

My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and make melody. Awake, my soul! **Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn.**I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples, and I will sing praises to you among the nations. **For your steadfast love is higher than the heavens, and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.**

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let your glory be over all the earth.

**\*Song of Praise** *I Come With Joy* #515

**Call to Confession**

Let us confess together before the God who loves and redeems all creation.

**Lord, hear our prayers.**

**Prayer of Confession**

Eternal Maker of the endless heavens, lowly Christ, befriender of the changing earth, Holy Spirit, wind over the flowing waters, in earth, sea and sky you are ever present.

**O hidden mystery, sun behind all suns, soul within all souls, in everything we touch, in everyone we meet, you are there, and we give thanks.**

But where we have not touched but tramped you in creation, where we have not honored but avoided you in one another, where we have not received but rejected your goodness, forgive us, and hear our plea for your pardon.

**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us.**

**\*moment of silent prayer\***

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

Know that God is good and to those who are truly sorry, God forgives what is past and enables us to begin again.

**Once we were no people, now we are God's people. Once we were beyond God's mercy; now that mercy has been given to us.**

So let us live as those who treasure God's costly generosity, by safeguarding God's earth, delighting in its people, and loving our Maker to whom be glory forever.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**\*Gloria Patri**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**\*Response to Reconciliation** *I Believe in God the Father* #481

**Children’s Message**

**Scripture Reading**John 15:1-17

**Message** Rev. Judy Lang

**Celebration of the Lord’s Supper**

\*Communion Song

*We Gather Here in Jesus’ Name* #510

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you, **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts, **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Lord’s Prayer

Words of Institution

Invitation to the Table

**Prayer After Communion**

**Holy God, we thank you for this feast of grace and life. As we have been served, help us to serve our neighbors. As we have been fed, help us to feed all who are hungry. As we have been loved, help us to love the world - because in Christ Jesus you have loved us. Amen.**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** *Apostles’ Creed*

**Expressions of Gratitude and Faith Through Our Offerings**

Offering baskets are located near the exit doors.

**Choir Anthem** *Amazing Grace/Pachelbel’s Canon,* arr. Jean Anne Shafferman

**Prayer of Offering**

All that we have and all that we are, are God's gifts to us. So here we return a token of our wealth asking that it and all we possess be used to God's glory.

**Blessed be God forever.**

**\*Doxology** #606

**\*Sending Song** *How Can I Keep From Singing?* #821

**\*Charge**

**We are the Body of Christ: Serving our community with the good news of Jesus Christ, and the transforming love of God the Father, through the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**\*Ringing of the Sending Bell**

**\*Benediction**

May the heavens bless you. May the sun shine on you.

May the rain dance at your feet. May the stars make you wonder and smile. May the earth bless you, and may you bless the earth in planting and sharing.

**Amen.**

**Postlude** *Down by the Riverside*, arr. Jim Lucas