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**WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME**

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PRELUDE

Patricia Hammer  
Accompanist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

GTG #1

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

CALL TO WORSHIP

O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

**God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

As far as the east is from the west, God’s steadfast love endures forever.

**Let us offer thanksgiving sacrifices and show the world the love of God.**



PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer

**Our God in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY SONG  
OF REFLECTION

“O How He Loves You and Me”

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O how he loves you and me!  
O how he loves you and me!  
He gave his life. What more could he give?  
O how he loves you;  
O how he loves me;  
O how he loves you and me!  
  
Jesus to Calv'ry did go;  
His love for sinners to show.  
What he did there brought hope from despair.  
O how he loves you;  
O how he loves me;  
O how he loves you and me!

CALL TO GENEROSITY

**Gracious God, from the overflowing of your love, we have been given abundance upon abundance. Receive, we pray, our offerings and bless them. Help us to show and share your love by the right use of these offerings. We pray all things through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CLOSING SONG

“Here I Am, Lord”  
(I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”)

GTG #69

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save  
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

***Refrain:***

***Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.***

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

***Refrain***

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

***Refrain***

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Patricia Hammer  
Accompanist

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*Readings are NRSV unless otherwise noted. CEB=Common English Bible; CEV=Contemporary English Version; KJV=King James Version; MSG=The Message; NIV=New International Version; NLT=New Living Translation; TIB=The Inclusive Bible*

### **Romans 8:14 – 17**

<sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' <sup>16</sup> it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

### **Mark 14:32 – 36**

<sup>32</sup> They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, 'Sit here while I pray.' <sup>33</sup> He took with him Peter and James and John and began to be distressed and agitated. <sup>34</sup> And he said to them, 'I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.' <sup>35</sup> And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. <sup>36</sup> He said, 'Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.'

