

Greeting

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L: This is the day that the Lord has made!

**P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Bell

Music to Prepare Our Hearts “Festive Overture”

Grace Notes

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\*Call to Worship

L: The Spirit of God is upon us.

**P: We are called to be God's people.**

L: The Spirit of God is upon us.

**P: We are called to be the body of Christ.**

L: Come let us worship God, who binds us together in love and service.

\*Song of Praise

“Lord of the Dance”

UMH 261

*Words by Sydney Carter; Music ~ 19<sup>th</sup> cent. Shaker tune; adapt. by Sydney Carter; harm. by Gary Alan Smith ©1963-1989 Galliard, Ltd. CCLI #1365061*

**I danced in the morning  
When the world was begun,  
And I danced in the moon  
And the stars and the sun,  
And I came down from heaven  
And I danced on the earth.  
At Bethlehem I had my birth.**

Chorus

**Dance, then, wherever you may be;  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.  
And I'll lead you all  
Wherever you may be,  
And I'll lead you all  
In the Dance, said he.**

**I danced for the scribe  
And the Pharisee,  
But they would not dance  
And they would not follow me;  
I danced for the fishermen,  
For James and John;  
They came with me  
And the dance went on. (Chorus)**

**I danced on the Sabbath  
And I cured the lame,  
The holy people said it was a shame;  
They whipped and they stripped  
And they hung me on high;  
And they left me there  
On a cross to die. (Chorus)**

**I danced on a Friday  
When the sky turned black;  
It's hard to dance  
With the devil on your back;  
They buried my body  
And they thought I'd gone,  
But I am the dance  
And I still go on. (Chorus)**

**They cut me down  
And I leapt up high,  
I am the life  
That'll never, never die;  
I'll live in you  
If you'll live in me;  
I am the Lord  
Of the Dance, said he. (Chorus)**

Morning Prayer (Unison)

**Bountiful God, you have blessed us with so many gifts. In this time of worship, may we be open to receiving these gifts. Help us claim our gifts and use them to bring liberation and justice to a hurting world. May the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable to you. May the transforming Spirit of joy and unity bind us together as your body, that we may be your hands and feet and voice in this, your world. Amen.**

A Season of Prayer

Call to Prayer

A Time of Quiet for Personal Prayer

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever! Amen!**

Anthem

“In You Alone”

Chancel Choir

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Scripture Reading

Luke 4:14-27

L: This is the word of the Lord!

**P: Thanks be to God!**

Song of Preparation

“Lead Me, Lord”

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*Psalm 5:8, 4:8 ~ Public Domain*

**Lead me, Lord. Lead me in thy righteousness;  
Make thy way plain before my face!  
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only,  
That makest me dwell in safety.**

Message

“Go and Do”

Rev. Sharon Pajak

We Share Our Gifts

Invitation to Giving

Song During Offering “Untitled Hymn” (Come to Jesus)

Patrice Robinson

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**\*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

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**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!**

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)**

**God who created us, as we gather to worship you, we are conscious that we are all one body in Christ. When one part of the body is hurting, the whole body is wounded; when healing happens, the whole body is blessed. May our giving this morning bring love to the parts of Christ’s body that are feeling unloved and forgotten; and may it bring justice and mercy to those parts that are oppressed and burdened. In our giving, may we find the joy of blessing the whole body of Christ. In his holy name, we pray.  
Amen.**

\*Hymn of Response

“Here I Am, Lord”

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**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?**

*Chorus*

**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? (*Chorus*)**

**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? (*Chorus*)**

\*Blessing

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