Participants:

Message: Mark

Prayer: Mark

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Pianist: Pearl

 **WE BEGIN OUR WORSHIP**

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**Welcome** (Mark)

**God’s Greeting**

**All: Amen**

**Song: Humbly in Your Sight, LU 733: 1, 2**

Humbly in your sight,

we come together, Lord.

Grant us now the blessing of your presence here.

These our hearts are yours;

we give them to you, Lord.

Purify our love to make it like your own.

**Call to Worship and Opening Prayer**

One: We are called to be people of faith in the midst of the world,

**All: and so we mix our worship and our work,**

**our faith and our life.**

One: We gather to worship as people who live in the world and yet,

**All: we gather as people who have been called to see the world**

**from a different viewpoint.**

One: God has called us together**,**

God has called us to be part of a community**.**

**All: God challenges us to consider questions of priority**

**as we engage with the world.**

One: Let us pray:

In this time together,

may God open our hearts, minds and eyes,

allowing us to see deeper,

helping us to live in the world

while still offering a challenge to the ways of the world.

We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

**Song: Humbly in Your Sight, LU 733: 3, 4, 8**

These our ears are yours;

we give them to you, Lord.

Open them to hear the gospel straight from you.

These our eyes are yours;

we give them to you, Lord.

May we always see this world as with your sight.

Our whole selves are yours;

we give them to you, Lord.

Take us now and keep us safe forevermore.

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 **WE CONFESS OUR WRONGDOINGS AND RECEIVE FORGIVENESS**

**Prayer of Confession**

God of Grace, you call us to be different from the world,

but the world is seductive, and so we come to you to be strengthened.

God of Vision, you hold before us an alternate way of life,

different priorities, different loyalties, different values.

But we know that the world is powerful,

And so, Lord, we confess our sadness and our fears. Help us to believe that our present does not control our future, that we can look forward and not just backward. Enable us to change our situation now by bringing the future into it. Only the radical values of your new order — of love and justice — will bring your kingdom into our community right now, lived in this and all moments. Inspire and sustain us to bring your kingdom to earth even right now — in this time of great uncertainty and upheaval**.**

**...time of silent prayer…** *(a separate slide for this, please)*

**Assurance of pardon**

Rejoice and be glad!

God is gracious and God offers blessings.

God calls us to life in the world,

God offers us the chance to explore how to live out God's vision.

We are called, we are forgiven, we are blessed.

Thanks be to God. Amen**.**

*~ adapted from several different prayers by Rev. Gord, Tom Shuman, Jim Wallace*

**Song: Our God, We Sing and Celebrate**

Our God, we sing and celebrate! Your grace to us is clear!

For we recall your faithful love for all your people here.

We've worked together, yet we know it's not the things we've done,

But you, who give us life and hope in sending us your Son.

Lord Jesus, in this broken world, you teach us how to heal,

And in a world where pride abounds, you call your church to kneel.

Amid the hate, we're called to love; amid the fear, to pray.

You call us to live differently; transform us every day!

How easy to look back and see your graceful, constant care,

And yet we're called to look ahead, to grow, to serve, to dare!

What is your will in this new day? God, help us pray and search,

For as we seek to walk with you, we are your faithful church.

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 **WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture: Romans 11:33-12:2**

O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

*“For who has known the mind of the Lord?*

 *Or who has been his counselor?”*

*“Or who has given a gift to him,*

 *to receive a gift in return?”*

For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever. Amen*.*

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect**.**

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**Prayers of the People**

**Concluded with: Lord’s Prayer. LU 914**

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread,

and 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.

Forever. Amen.

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 **OUR SERVICE ENDS WITH BLESSING AND SONG**

**God Blesses Us**

**All: Amen**

**Song: God of Grace and God of Glory, LU 926: 1, 3, 4**

God of grace and God of glory,

on your people pour your power;

crown your ancient church’s story,

bring its bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage

for the facing of this hour,

for the facing of this hour.

Cure your children’s warring madness;

bend our pride to your control;

shame our wanton, selfish gladness,

rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,

lest we miss your kingdom’s goal,

lest we miss your kingdom’s goal.

Save us from weak resignation

to the evils we deplore;

let the gift of your salvation

be our glory evermore.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,

serving you whom we adore,

serving you whom we adore.

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