The liturgical color is green, signifying life and growth in the Christian church.

GATHERING

Prelude
“What Wondrous Love Is This”
arr. Cathy DeRousse
Amy Bender, organist

Lighting of the Candles
Presentation of God’s Holy Word

Choral Introit
“This Little Light of Mine”
Cherub Choir (9:00)

Please sign and pass the attendance pad that you find at the end of each pew.
If you are joining us for the first time today, please complete the blue sheet.

Welcome and Announcements
Sharing Joys and Concerns
Rev. Beverly Wrobel, Liturgist
* Call to Worship Isaiah 60:1-5 9:00 Gabriella Alafi, Reader

* Opening Prayer (unison)
  Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us.
  Help us to recognize your presence in our lives.
  Empower us to trust your promises.
  Fill us with your peace and love.
  Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us.
  Chase away all darkness, and lead us to the heart of God. Amen.

* Opening Hymn 206 “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” HOUSTON

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Special Music
9:00 “Sing and Dance, Children of God” Michael Bedford
Children’s Choir

11:00 “A Jubilant Song” Allen Pote
Chancel Choir

Time With Our Children (9:00)

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory
9:00 “Dance, Sing, Clap Your Hands” Douglas E. Wagner
Children’s Choir

11:00 “He Leadeth Me” Thomas Grassi
Chancel Choir; Tracy Paroubek, clarinet

* Doxology UMH 94
  Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
  Praise God, all creatures here below;
  Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
  Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
  Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
  Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn of Preparation 393 “Spirit of the Living God” LIVING GOD

Time With Our Children (11:00)

Scripture Reading Revelation 3:1-6 New Testament page 868

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Overcome” Rev. Sondra Snod
Jesus Challenged 7 Churches in Revelation
Today we visit Sardis

Morning Prayer

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.

Holy Communion UMH 15

SENDING FORTH

* Hymn 310 “He Lives” ACKLEY

* Pastoral Benediction

* Members of the congregation stand if able.