The liturgical color is white, signifying the purity, holiness and virtue of Christ, as well as respect and reverence.

**GATHERING**

Prelude  
“Eucharistia”  G. Winston Cassler  
Amy Bender, organist

Lighting of the Candles

Presentation of God’s Holy Word

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
Leader: Fear the Lord, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing.

People: The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Leader: Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord. Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days, keep your tongue from evil and your lips from telling lies.

People: Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

* Prayer (unison)

Lord, we long for the day that your Word promises, where nation does not rise up against nation, nor do they make war anymore. Make us instruments of your peace, and help us to be willing to lay down our lives to show your love to the world around us, Amen.

* Opening Hymn 327 “Crown Him With Many Crowns” DIADEMATA

Special Music “Concert Overture in C Major” Mozart

Woodwind Quintet
Jackie Zielke, flute; Marianne Carrel, oboe; Debbie Deal, clarinet; Gail Collister, french horn; Carol Chenoweth, bassoon

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Sharing Joys and Concerns

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.

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory “Adagio” from Divertimento No. 4 Mozart

* 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 431 “Let There Be Peace on Earth” WORLD PEACE

Scripture Reading New Testament page 683 Matthew 5:3-9

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Beat the Heat with the Beatitudes: Week 7 “Peacemakers” Rev. Quincy Wheeler

THANKSGIVING

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

Service of Holy Communion UMH 12