

****PRAYER of DEDICATION (Unison)**

Good Shepherd, you spread a table before us. We offer you our gifts, signs of your gracious love and tokens of our grateful hearts. Nourish us at the feast of the Lamb, that we may proclaim to all the world your triumphant love in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN #505 "Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread"

THE LORD'S SUPPER - Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Great Thanksgiving Prayer

Breaking of the Bread - *Gluten-free bread available.*

(Please hold so all can take together.)

Sharing of the Cup *(Please partake as you receive - we use grape juice.)*

PRAYER after COMMUNION (Unison)

Eternal God, you have graciously redeemed us through your son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. You have fed us with spiritual food in this sacrament of his body and blood. Send us now into the world in peace. Grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

****HYMN of SENDING #475** "O That I Had a Thousand Voices"

****CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

****RESPONSE** "Father, Give Thy Benediction" Carter

POSTLUDE "Come, Thou Almighty King" de Giardini

PASTOR: Rev. Bob Thomson
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Wendy Dryden
ORGANIST: Eleanor Lane

CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MINISTRY DIRECTOR: Ashley Braisted

Chancel Choir: Kay Barnes, Ernie Brazzale, Melinda Brazzale,
Rose Burrows, Cadie Cooper, Cori Cooper, Becky Dougherty, Randy Fetzer,
Al Hunter, Karla Light, Tony Ouradnik, Sarah Pettengill, MaryAnn Purtzer,
Cassandra Raybuck, Mary Throne, Becky Tish, and Jeff Tish.

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*Vibrant Worship,
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Vibrant Service*

February 2, 2025 ~ 10:00 a.m.
"Parables of the Kingdom"
Green: Symbolizes the Purity of Christ

****Those who are able are invited to stand.**

PRELUDE "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" Williams

TOLLING of the BELLS

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING AROUND the WORD of GOD

INTROIT "Come, Praise the Lord" Carter

CALL to WORSHIP Bobbi Thompson

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

People: Come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

Leader: Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker

People: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture.

Leader: We are the sheep of his hand. Let us pray...

PRAYER of PRAISE (Unison)

It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High. I proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night for you make me glad by your deeds. I sing for joy at the works of your hands. You, O LORD, are exalted forever. Amen.

****HYMN of PRAISE #150** "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

****CALL TO CONFESSION**

When we gather to praise God, we remember that we are people who have preferred our wills to his. Accepting his power to become new persons in Christ, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

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****PRAYER of CONFESSION (Unison)**

Eternal and merciful God, you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake. Yet we have strayed from your way; we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone. As we remember the lavish gift of your grace symbolized in baptism, O God, we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with you, and in whose strong name we pray. (Time of Silent Personal Confession) Amen.

****ASSURANCE of PARDON**

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

PASSING of the PEACE

“The Peace of Christ be with you.” “And also with you.”

****GLORIA PATRI #579**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

LISTENING for the WORD of GOD

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Bobbi Thompson

Gracious God, you have given us the rich and precious jewel of your Holy Word. By your Holy Spirit write it on our hearts, reform us, and renew us according to your image. Through your word build us up into the perfect building of Christ and increase in us all heavenly virtues. Grant this, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 145:8-21 (pg. 506)

The Word of the Lord

Bobbi Thompson

Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

“We Remember”

Martin and Showalter

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 4:26-32 (pg. 815)

TIME for CHILDREN

Rev. Bob Thomson

(Children may go upstairs for Sunday School.)

INTERPRETATION of the WORD

“Parables of the Kingdom”

Rev. Bob Thomson

RESPONDING to the WORD of GOD

****HYMN of RESPONSE #344**

“Christ of the Upward Way”

****CONFESSION of FAITH — Scots Confession**

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible: one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by God's inscrutable providence for such end as God's eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, to the manifestation of God's own glory.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

RESPONSE

“Amen”

Carter

GIVING OF OURSELVES to GOD:

The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly; the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Responding to God's bountiful gifts to us in Christ, we have opportunity to share out of our abundance.

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OFFERTORY

“The Upper Room”

Besig and Price

****DOXOLOGY #592**

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.