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## **WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD**

**Music to Prepare for Worship:** 

**Invitation to Worship:** 

**Hymn:** "All Earth is Waiting"

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- 1 All earth is waiting to see the Promised One, and open furrows await the seed of God.
  All the world, bound and struggling, seeks true liberty; it cries out for justice and searches for the truth.
- 2 Thus says the prophet to those of Israel, 'A virgin mother will bear Emmanuel.' One whose name is 'God with us', our Saviour shall be, through whom hope will blossom once more within our hearts.
- 3 Mountains and valleys will have to be made plain, open new highways, new highways for our God, who is now coming closer, so come all and see, and open the doorways as wide as wide can be.
- 4 In lowly stable the Promised One appeared. Yet, feel that presence throughout the earth today, for Christ lives in all Christians and is with us now; again, on arriving, Christ brings us liberty.

**Welcome & the Life and Ministry of Our Church** 

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD FOR US

**Scriptures:** Luke 1:46-55 & Luke 1:67-79

Sermon: "Mary the Prophet."

**Musical Offering:** "Breath of Heaven" (Dana Ducette, Laura Lilly and Stacey Neitzel.)

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## WE RESPOND IN LOVE

**Call to Prayer:** (Playing of the Koshi Chimes)

**Prayers of Thanksgiving & for Healing and Transformation** 

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, the power and the glory, forever, and ever. Amen.

Minute for Our Mission: Financial Update.

Invitation to Offer our Gifts:

Song of Dedication:

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures high and low; Give thanks to God in love made known; Creator, Word, and Spirit, One. Amen.

**Prayer of Dedication:** 

## WE GO FORTH IN SERVICE

Hymn: "Arise, Your Light Is Come!"

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1 Arise, your light is come! The Spirit's call obey; show forth the glory of your God, which shines on you today.

- 2 Arise, your light is come! Fling wide the prison door; proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.
- 3 Arise, your light is come! All you in sorrow born, bind up the broken-hearted ones and comfort those who mourn.
- 4 Arise, your light is come! The mountains burst in song! Rise up like eagles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

**Commissioning and Benediction:** 

Music To Inspire Us As We Go: