

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Music to Prepare for Worship:

Invitation to Worship:

Hymn: "Spirit, Open My Heart" (MV #79)

Chorus:

**Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving,
Spirit, open my heart.**

**1 God, replace my stony heart
with a heart that's kind and tender.
All my coldness and fear to your grace
I now surrender.**

**2 Write your love upon my heart
as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought word and deed,
may my living bring you glory.**

**3 May I weep with those who weep,
share the joy of sister, brother.
In the welcome of Christ,
may we welcome one another.**

Welcome & the Life and Ministry of Our Church

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD FOR US

Scriptures: Jonah 3:1-5 & 10 and Mark 1:14-20

Sermon: "How Fast Can You Run?"

Musical Offering:

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.**

Invitation to Offer our Gifts:

**Song of Dedication: #541
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: "Let There Be Light" #679

**1 Let there be light, let there be understanding,
let all the nations gather, let them be face to face;**

**2 open our lips, open our minds to ponder,
open the door of concord opening into grace;**

3 perish the sword, perish the angry judgement,
perish the bombs and hunger, perish the fight for gain;

4 hallow our love, hallow the deaths of martyrs,
hallow their holy freedom, hallowed be your name;

5 your kingdom come, your spirit turn to language,
your people speak together, your spirit never fade;

6 let there be light; open our hearts to wonder,
perish the way of terror, hallow the world God made.

Commissioning and Benediction:

Music To Inspire Us As We Go: