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Words of Welcome

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Call to Worship

L: Whoever you are, you are welcome.

P: That is good news!

L: Bring your gifts to praise God. **P: We are happy to be together.**

L: Let us worship God with joy and spirit.

Morning Prayer:

Bountiful God, You have blessed us with so many gifts. In this time of worship, may we be open to receiving these gifts? Help us claim our gifts and use them to bring liberation and justice to a hurting world. May the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable to you. May the transforming Spirit of joy and unity bind us together as your body, that we may be your hands and feet and voice in this, your world. 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 that trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil for thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, Amen.

Praise

What A Friend We Have In Jesus Faithful Men

Scripture 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole



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body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

PraiseWhen We All Gather Together
Faithful Men

Sermon God's Gift of Community

Jim Hook

Benediction (read responsively)

L: As you go forth into the world

P: We go forth proclaiming God's love and liberation.

L: The Spirit of Christ is upon you.

P: We go forth to live lives of justice and freedom.

L: The power of the Spirit is upon you.

P: We go forth as one body, one spirit, one witness to the promises of our God

L: Go in peace and together let us continue the important work of building community. Amen