

Welcome *Pastor Jeff will give announcements and welcome*

****Call to Worship** *(Liturgist parts are indicated in **BOLD** and ******)*

****Good Morning, I am Olivia Youmans, and will be serving as Worship Leader today. Would you please stand as you are comfortable and able to join me in the responsive Call to Worship?**

****Leader: The world calls: eat, drink, and be merry; take your ease; enjoy what you have accumulated.**

People: But God calls: seek the things that are above; know the glory of Christ, who is our Life.

****Leader: Anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk are of the earth. Covetousness, fornication, evil desires, and lies mark idolatry.**

People: But God offers us a new nature in Christ, being renewed after the image of our Creator.

****Leader: The world makes distinctions between Jew and Greek, slave and free, those under the law and those who are not.**

People: But in Christ all are one and all are welcome; there are no distinctions; we come to worship.

****Will you join us in our opening song, "O How I Love Jesus", the words will be on the screen.**

****Would you join with me in our Opening Prayer?**

We lift our hands toward your most holy sanctuary, God of all people, praying that you will respond to our faithfulness. Hear the voice of our supplication, for we are oppressed by some who do not honor your way. Shield us from them, and give us strength to sing your song. We trust you to give refuge and be our shepherd. Amen.

Children's Time

Message from Leadership Board - Slides

Prayers, the Lord's Prayer and Offering of Gifts

(Pastor Jeff will first do the prayers, Liturgist will read Invitation & pray)

****Invitation:** If our lives were to end tonight, would we be prepared to give good account of our stewardship? Or are we still pulling down our barns to build larger ones, while God says, "Fool! ... the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" Let us share our treasures.

****Will you pray with me?** These gifts represent the work of our hands: the abilities you have given us and our efforts to use them well. We share them here to support one another in our efforts to hear your will and do it. Help us as a church to make a faithful witness out of love for one another and you, and in service to the whole world. Amen.

Special Music *"The Wonder of God"* -Dick & Jemery Palmer

****Scripture Reading** Hosea 11:1-11 NRSV

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals and offering incense to idols. Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk; I took them up in my arms, but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. The sword rages in their cities; it consumes their oracle priests and devours because of their schemes. My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me;

my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim, for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. They shall go after the Lord, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt and like doves from the land of Assyria, and I will return them to their homes, says the Lord.

****Scripture Reading Luke 12:13-21 NRSV**

As this is a reading from the Gospel, please stand in body or spirit.

Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.” This is the word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God!

Message “Where Can I Put My Stuff?” Pastor Craig Pahl

Closing Song “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus” -On Screen

Blessing for the Week

Choral Benediction