#### WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST

**GREETING** 

PRELUDE All Things Bright and Beautiful

Arr. Scott

#### +CALL TO WORSHIP

Then I will pour out my spirit on all flesh, thus says the Lord.

Send down the fire of your justice!

Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

Send down the rain of your love!

Your old shall dream dreams, and your young shall see visions.

Send down your Spirit, breathe life in your people!

In those days, I will pour out my spirit.

and we shall be the faithful people of God.

[written by Katherine Hawker. Posted on Liturgies Outside. http://liturgyoutside.net/Biblical.Litanies.pdf]

+HYMN

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

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KID'S TIME

**ANTHEM** 

This Glorious Day

by Susan E. Geschke

Handbell Choir

## WE PROCLAIM THE WORD AND RESPOND IN FAITH

FIRST LESSON Joel 2: 23-32

PSALTER Psalm 65

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion,

and to you shall vows be performed,

O you who answer prayer!

To you all flesh shall come.

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,

#### you forgive our transgressions.

Happy are those whom you choose

and bring near to live in your courts.

We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.

#### By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance,

O God of our salvation;

you are the hope of all the ends of the earth

and of the farthest seas.

By your strength you established the mountains;

you are girded with might.

You silence the roaring of the seas,

the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.

Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs;

you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

You visit the earth and water it; you greatly enrich it;

the river of God is full of water;

you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges,

softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

You crown the year with your bounty;

your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

The pastures of the wilderness overflow;

the hills gird themselves with joy;

the meadows clothe themselves with flocks;

the valleys deck themselves with grain;

they shout and sing together for joy.

SECOND LESSON II Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

+GOSPEL LESSON Luke 18: 9-14

+ACCLAMATION Gloria Patri # 70

**SERMON** 

+HYMN Lord, I Want to Be a Christian # 402

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES

Announcements & Stewardship Presentation

Offertory Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart arr. Wagner
Doxology # 94

### WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

+HYMN Go Now In Peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

**BENEDICTION** 

POSTLUDE Fanfare on A Mighty Fortress Arr. Rowland-Raybold

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# Service of the Word

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