WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST

GREETING

PRELUDE Festal Song arr. Wolford

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said, "Love one another, even as I have loved you."

Love is more powerful than fear; it is mightier than hatred.

Let the love which God has lavished upon us be poured out to those in need.

Help us, O Lord, to witness to you

by the ways in which we care for others.

Remind us, Lord, that we are called to be your disciples.

As we worship this morning, heal our hearts and spirits and prepare us for service.

[by Nancy Townley for WorshipMatters.com]

+HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

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KID'S TIME

ANTHEM Wake Up, Church, Wake Up! Sanctuary Choir How lovely is Thy house, O Lord, what joy we find inside as we in blessed peacefulness abide. How comforting is the music, how comfortable are the pews as we rest in the Lord. Wake up, church, wake up! The Lord is calling you. Wake up, church, wake up! There is kingdom work to do and so arise and shine. Now tell the world your light is come. Wake up, church, wake up! There'll be plenty time to rest when life is done. We can't hide inside the walls, sitting on the pews. God calls us to go out and we cannot refuse. Wake up, church, wake up! And give God the glory, glory, rise and shine and give God the glory, glory, children of the Lord. Wake up, church, wake up!

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD AND RESPOND IN FAITH

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 2: 4-13

PSALTER Psalm 81:1, 10-16

Sing aloud to God our strength;

shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

I am the Lord your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.

Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.

"But my people did not listen to my voice;

Israel would not submit to me.

So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts,

to follow their own counsels.

O that my people would listen to me,

that Israel would walk in my ways!

Then I would quickly subdue their enemies

and turn my hand against their foes.

Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him,

and their doom would last forever.

I would feed you with the finest of the wheat,

and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you."

SECOND LESSON Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16

+GOSPEL LESSON Luke 14:1, 7-14

+ACCLAMATION Gloria Patri # 70

SERMON

+HYMN Make Me A Servant # 2176

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF OUR GIFTS AND LIVES

Announcements & Mission Moment

Offertory For the Beauty of the Earth Arr. Rodriguez

Doxology #94

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

+HYMN As We Go New Day

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE It Is Well with My Soul Bliss/Ham

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