



***thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.***

~ Let us take a few moments for silent reflection. ~

**\* THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)**

Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth! By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! ***Thanks be to God***

**\* GLORIA PATRI - “Glory Be to the Father”**

***Glory be to the Father; and the Son, and the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.***

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE (responsively)**

May mercy, peace, and love be yours in abundance. The peace of Christ be with you. ***And also with you.***

(You are invited to offer your neighbor a brief sign of peace.)

**THE WELCOMING OF GUESTS**

We invite our guests to use the nametags in the attendance pads to identify themselves so that we may get to know each other.

**CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHILDRENS TIME** - Elder Richard Carter

**ANTHEM** - “*Cup of Grace*” - Patterson Faith Choir

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (unison)**

**Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Psalm 36:5-10**

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. ***Thanks be to God***

**NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Luke 4:14-21**

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. ***Thanks be to God.***

## SERMON “The Start of Something Great”

### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD “The Apostles Creed”

*I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

### SHARING OUR PRAYERS OF JOYS AND CONCERNS / PASTORAL PRAYER

### RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY - “There’s Something About That Name” - Gaither & Gaither

**\*DOXOLOGY** “Our God Is an Awesome God” #616 (sing twice)

*Our God is an awesome God who reigns from heaven above  
with wisdom, power, and love; our God is an awesome God!*

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

God be with you.

***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts.

***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

We give thanks and praise to you O God for all your works. You created the world and called us to be your people. Through the centuries you have spoken through the prophets and gave us your son, Jesus the Christ. You made a covenant with us, and even in our sin you loved us still and remained faithful to us. Therefore, with all creation we sing your praise:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.***

### COMMUNION

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**\*CLOSING HYMN - “When the Lord Redeems the Very Least” - #852**

### \*BENEDICTION

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE - “May the God of Hope” - #765**

***May the God of hope go with us every day,  
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.  
Praying, let us work for peace, singing, share our joy with all;  
Working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.***

**\*POSTLUDE - “Bourée in G Major” - Handel, arr. Scott**