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Welcome

Opening Words
One: For the wonders of this earth and all of creation
One: For a community that is challenged to work toward God’s dream for the world
Many: O Be Thankful
One: For the love of those who surround and support us.
One: For each breath we take in and for this day before us.
Many: O Be Thankful
One: We come to this place filled with gratitude and love for you oh Holy One.
Let us worship with gladness and thanksgiving.

Opening Response "Know that God is Good" arr. John Bell

Prayer of Invocation Ruth C. Duck
Dear God, we thank you that you never forsake us, that you never stop loving us. Trusting in your unfailing love, we have gathered to worship and praise you. Through your Holy Spirit, touch us, renew us, comfort us, challenge us; for we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Witness of Music Handchimes
"For the Beauty of the Earth" Anna Laura Page
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Reading:
Psalm 100
A Psalm of thanksgiving.
Make a joyful noise to the Holy One, all the earth.
Worship the Holy One with gladness;
come into God’s presence with singing.

Know that the Holy One is God.
It is God that made us, and we are God’s;
we are God’s people, and the sheep of God’s pasture.
Enter God’s gates with thanksgiving,  
and God’s courts with praise.  
Give thanks to God, bless God’s name.

For the Holy One is good;  
God’s steadfast love endures forever,  
and God’s faithfulness to all generations.

For the wisdom contained in these holy words we give thanks. Amen

Sermon  Rev. Wendy Bruner

Hymn "Now Thank We All Our God"

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
All praise and thanks to God our Maker now be given,  
Who wondrous things has done, in whom the world rejoices,  
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,  
To Christ, and Spirit, too, our help in highest heaven,  
Who, from our parents' arms, has blessed us on our way  
And keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
The one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore,  
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.  
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.  
For thus it was, is now, and shall be ever more.

Joys and Concerns

Prayer
Creator, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kin-dom, and the power,
and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

How Shall We Join God’s Work in the World
Welcome New Members

Gracious God, we give thanks and ask your blessings on the many and diverse gifts we bring to join
you in your work in the world. Amen

Benediction

Postlude  "Doxology"  Attr. to Louis Bourgeois  
arr. Mark Hayes  
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