

## Music to Prepare Our Hearts

## Lighting of the Altar Candles

## Welcome and Announcements

### \*Call to Worship

**Gwenn Edman:** Give ear, God of all people.

**Many Voices: Stir up your strength and deliver us!**

**Gwenn Edman:** Once you rescued your children from bondage.

**Many Voices: Now, set your people free.**

**Gwenn Edman:** Look down from heaven, God of hosts.

**Many Voices: Turn to us anew and see us in our need.**

**Gwenn Edman:** Restore us, God of Creation.

**Many Voices: Let your face shine upon us.**

**Gwenn Edman:** May our suffering cease.

**Many Voices: May all your children be saved.**

### \*Opening Hymn

"There's a Spirit of Love in This Place"

W&S #3148

### \*Passing the Peace

### Opening Prayer

**Gwenn Edman:** God of Peace, send your Holy Spirit upon us and hear our prayers and songs of praise. Your call, at times, appears to divide us from one another. Help us to overcome our fears and respond in courage. Give us faith to trust the unity that is beyond our sight. Give us your eyes to recognize the signs before us. We ask this in the confidence of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**All: Amen.**

### Offering Ourselves

Blessing our Gifts with Music

\*Doxology

\*Offering Prayer

**All: Enduring and Gracious God, you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, those who have gone before us and those who walk beside us in faith. As we bring our gifts before you, we offer them in gratitude, knowing that our generosity is part of your ongoing work in the world. Strengthen us to run with perseverance the race set before us, so that through our giving and through our living, we may reflect the joy of Christ and the love that unites all your saints. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

### Scripture Readings

Old Testament Lesson  
Gospel Lesson

Isaiah 5:1-7 (CEB)  
Luke 12:49-56 (NRSVue)

**Gwenn Edman:** The Word of God for the People of God.  
**Many Voices: Thanks be to God.**

<b>Responsive Song</b>	"Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands"	UMH #273
<b>Proclaiming</b>	<b>"Discerning the Present Time"</b>	Pastor Dave
<b>Praying</b> Joys & Concerns Prayers for the People Lord's Prayer		
<b>*Closing Hymn</b>	"Guide My Feet"	TFWS #2208
<b>*Dismissal with Blessing</b>		
<b>Going Forth to the World</b>		