July 14, 2024 Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

PRELUDE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (Sara Lambert)

All are welcome in the house of the Lord.

Find here the hospitality of radical fellowship.

Worship with clean hands and pure hearts.

We are lifted up by the King of glory.

We are adopted into the family of Christ.

We will leap with joy before our God.

\*HYMN **FH #391** "Praise Him! Praise Him!"

# **PRAYER OF YEARNING (Sara Lambert)**

Lord, we come before you with open eyes and willing hands. Guide us as we listen for your word, with shouts of praise and dances of joy. As we strive to grasp the depth of your love, your compassion continues to surprise and uplift us. We yearn to be your voice in this world. Help us discern what is right, as we set our hope in Christ. Amen.

# **ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (Sara Lambert)

Know that you are cherished by the good pleasure of God's love. You are chosen by God and given the inheritance of Christ. Live in truth and peace, and be strong in the power of the Holy Spirit. Thanks be to God. **Amen.** 

Sung Response

O come let us adore Him,

O come let us adore Him,

O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

THE WORD OF GOD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON <u>Ephesians 1:3-14</u>

A SERMON "We Have Been Blessed"

HYMN FH #2 "Blessed Assurance"

### PRAYERS FOR THE DAY

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Response

#### THE OFFERING

Sung Response

Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Lord. I just want to thank you, Lord.

Prayer of Thanksgiving (Sara Lambert)

The earth is yours, O Lord, and all that is in it. All we have comes from the richness of your grace. As you have blessed us, so may we bless others. May these offerings bind us to your love for us and to your love for all the world's people. Amen.

### THE COMMUNION

Prayer of Gratitude

We give thanks for the grace of this simple meal. May we become the body of Christ, sent forth into the world as the living presence of love incarnate, serving creation with joy. Amen.

HYMN **FH#17** "It Is Well With My Soul"

BENEDICTION

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