

Presbytery Worship

March 14, 2017

Throughout this order of worship an (\*) indicates the invitation to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Holly Coffey, pianist

Call to Worship

James Blankenbecker, candidate for ordination

L: God has called us here.

**P: Though I have many other things to do and my mind is wandering: Yes! God has called me to be here. God has called me to be present.**

L: Christ has welcomed us here.

**P: Though the morning was rushed and I'd rather be someplace else: Yes! Christ has welcomed me here – in this place, with these brothers and sisters.**

L: The Holy Spirit is with us here.

**P: Though I may feel alone in the crowd and uncertain of what lies ahead: Yes! The Holy Spirit is with me here.**

L: From north and from south, from east and from west, across mountains and through forests, from small towns and larger cities, we have come together as God's own to share in the work, in the worship, and in the mission of the holy and triune God.

**P: All praise, and honor be to you, our Lord Almighty: Creator, Redeemer, and Guide.**

Opening Prayer

\* HYMN #181

*Come Sing to God*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

*Time for silent prayer and reflection*

Assurance of Pardon

Tammy Schmidt, candidate for ordination

\* SONG of RESPONSE #417

*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*, stanza 4

*Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one; one in might and one in glory, while unending ages run.*

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of the Word

*1 Kings 19:1-9*

Words of Institution

The Rev. Greg Kubar

Guided Meditation

The Rev. Janet Prewitt

*Time for silent prayer and reflection*

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Invitation to the Table

L: As God provided bread and water for Elijah,

**P: Christ provides this bread and cup for us.**

L: This is the feast of God for the people of God,

**P: Thanks be to God.**

*As the Spirit moves within you, please come forward to receive Communion.*

*If you are unable to come forward, Communion will be brought to you*

\* HYMN #505

**Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread**

Offering

The Rev. Susan Warren

Offertory

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.*

*Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Offering Prayer

\* CLOSING HYMN #466

**O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing**

Benediction

Postlude