**Order of Worship**

**November 8, 2020**

**Meditation –** Luke 4:18-19

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed,to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.

**Songs of Adoration**

**Call to Worship** – Psalm 105:1-7

Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;   make known his deeds among the peoples!
Sing to him, sing praises to him;  tell of all his wondrous works!Glory in his holy name;   let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!Seek the Lord and his strength;  seek his presence continually!Remember the wondrous works that he has done,   his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,O offspring of Abraham, his servant,   children of Jacob, his chosen ones!He is the Lord our God;  his judgments are in all the earth.

**Prayer of Adoration**

**Confession of Sin**

Lord, our hearts are restless. They are deceitful and full of sin. Yet You are gracious because of Christ. Lord, we ask that our hearts find rest in You. Here are our hearts, Lord. We offer them to You, promptly and sincerely, for the sake of Your Son. Amen.

 *(adapted from Augustine and Calvin)*

**Assurance of Pardon**

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the Lord’s hand double for all her sins.

 *(Isaiah 40:1-2)*

**Songs of Worship**

**Offering and Doxology**

**Old Testament Reading –** Isaiah 55:6-11

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

**Children’s Sermon**

**Announcements**

**Song of Preparation**

**Sermon -** “Gotta Serve Somebody”

**Sermon Text –** Luke 11:14-26

**14**Now he was casting out a demon that was mute. When the demon had gone out, the mute man spoke, and the people marveled. **15**But some of them said, “He casts out demons by Beelzebul, the prince of demons,” **16**while others, to test him, kept seeking from him a sign from heaven. **17**But he, knowing their thoughts, said to them, “Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and a divided household falls. **18**And if Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that I cast out demons by Beelzebul. **19**And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. **20**But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. **21**When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are safe; **22**but when one stronger than he attacks him and overcomes him, he takes away his armor in which he trusted and divides his spoil. **23**Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters. **24**“When the unclean spirit has gone out of a person, it passes through waterless places seeking rest, and finding none it says, ‘I will return to my house from which I came.’ **25**And when it comes, it finds the house swept and put in order. **26**Then it goes and brings seven other spirits more evil than itself, and they enter and dwell there. And the last state of that person is worse than the first.”

**Song of Response**

**Benediction**