Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: Day by day, God leads us:
People: to the deep, deep pools of peace, to the green lush lawns of grace.
Leader: Day by day, Jesus calls us:
People: to pour out ourselves in service, to anoint the stranger with hope.
Leader: Day by day, the Holy Spirit shows us:
People: the community we could be, the family we are called to become.

*Hymn # 749 – Come! Live in the Light! (We Are Called)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, too often we settle for the way things are. We embrace what is comfortable and disengage from the work of necessary change. We fail to hope for a new day and a new world because our present reality feels good enough. Forgive us. Have mercy upon us. Fill us with the passion to live and work towards a world made just and equitable and new. Amen.

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Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. People: And also with you.

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Deuteronomy 15:7-8, 10-11; 1 John 3:17-18 Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Who We Are Called to Love

Affirmation of Faith: The Confession of 1967

To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as his reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God's message of reconciliation and shares his labor of healing the enmities which separate people from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Christ's service to humanity commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all the sufferings of humanity so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of people in every kind of need. Amen.

Special Music

Prayers of the People

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

*Hymn # 757 – Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response: Hymn # 606 – Doxology

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.

Postlude



The thematic and musical center of this hymn on the vocation of all believers is found in the refrain, which is based on the well-known challenge of Micah 6:8, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"



This text placing stewardship in the context of faithful witness was written by a retired Presbyterian minister to be part of the 1986 stewardship campaign titled "Called to Be Disciples." The tune name recalls the Sussex village where the arranger first heard the melody.

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