

## “Gratitude”

### Welcome & Announcements

*(Please pass the attendance registration pads. We ask all members, as well as our guests, to fill out the information.)*

### Prelude

#### + Call to Worship

God has called us to this place. What do you see?

**We see people who desire God's joyous embrace of all people.**

God has brought us to this place. What do you hear?

**We hear God's hope that we are able to see each person as our sister or brother.**

God has challenged us to open our lives and hearts to others. What will you do?

**We will welcome everyone in God's name!**

**We will welcome everyone to God's table!**

#### + Hymn

TFWS 2236, vs. 1-3

*Gather Us In*

#### + Passing the Peace

#### Prayer of St. Francis

Make me an instrument of Your peace;  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
Where there is injury, pardon;  
Where there is error, truth;  
Where there is doubt, faith;  
Where there is despair, hope;  
Where there is darkness, light;  
And where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand;

To be loved as to love.

### Children's Message

#### Special Music

Suz Eberle & Kristie Shorter

### Joys, Concerns & God Moments

#### Call to Prayer

Singing Bowl

#### Pastoral Prayer

#### Lord's Prayer

#### + Hymn

UMH 617, vs. 1-3

*I Come with Joy*

#### Scripture Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

#### Sermon

Rev. Dempewolf

*Gratitude*

#### Video

*Gratitude*

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*For what are you grateful?*

#### Offertory

#### + Offertory Response

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*Give Thanks*

#### + Offertory Prayer

**Holy One, whose heart abounds with gifts, receive this offering as a sign of our intention to live surrounded by your mercy, inspired by your Spirit, open to the joy of your presence, hospitable to one another and generous toward your world. Amen.**

#### Holy Communion

Come one and all to this feast; an offering of bread and drink and the promise of the Living Christ among us. This is the table of God where all who seek to be at peace with their neighbor and all who seek the mercy of God in Christ are embraced. Come, for we are invited in this holy mystery. Come.

#### We are ready!

Jesus said: “I am the bread of life. All who come to me shall not hunger, and all who believe in me shall never be thirsty.”

**We are hungry and thirsty. O Lamb of God, we come!**

We remember that on the night of betrayal and desertion, Jesus gathered with his followers, he offered the bread in thanksgiving and said:

**“Take, eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”**

In the same way, Jesus offered the cup in thanksgiving and said:

**“Take, drink. This is my blood, the blood of the new covenant which is poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.”**

Come, Holy Spirit. Come. Open our eyes to the mystery of Christ's presence in these ordinary gifts, in these our ordinary lives. May they be for us the very essence of the living Christ in our midst. Through the broken bread:

**We participate in the Body of Christ.**

Through the cup of blessing:

**We participate in the new life Christ gives.**

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Come, for all things are ready!

### Sharing of the Bread and Cup

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**For the wholeness you have given us in the brokenness of bread and the pouring out of cup, we thank you.**

**For the community that you have restored in us through the sharing of life, we thank you.**

**Send us forth from this place in gratitude and love, letting justice be worked out with gentleness in the presence of your Spirit. Amen.**

+ Hymn UMH 707  
*Hymn of Promise*

+ Blessing

+ Postlude

**Choir Rehearsal** | Sunday's at 7:45 am | Everyone is welcome to join.

**Cowboy Church** | Today, February 3 at 6 pm | Cowboy church in Cherry Grove.

**Confirmation** | Wednesday, February 6 at 7 pm | Confirmation meets in Spring Valley

**Cherry Grove Church Basement Ladies** | Saturday, February 16 at 11 am | Skit entitled "Is There Love in the Air, Or Not?" followed by a luncheon and live and silent auction.

**Parish Service Project** | Sign up to serve at the Saturday Meals Program at Christ U.M. Church in Rochester on February 23. Shifts are available from 9-11 am to prepare or 11-1 pm to serve and clean up, for persons age 12 through adult. The program offers a free lunch every Saturday for anyone in need.

**FAITH FAMILY FINANCIALS 01/27/2019:**  
Needed for budget \$3,481.77  
Offering \$1,099.00  
Attendance 42

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