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Sunday, May 1, 2016, 10:00am
Theme: Shared Ministry

† indicates stand as you are able
† indicates participation by the people

MV = More Voices
VU = Voices United

We Gather With

PRELUDE: *Kari Orosz – Stairway to Heaven*

– by *Jimmy Page & Robert Plant*

WELCOME & GREETING VISITORS (*Leader*)

†GREETING ONE ANOTHER (Please feel free to move around)

SPIRIT LINES (Announcements)

CHRIST CANDLE, SILENCE, & TONE BOWL

INTROIT: *Come All You People (Projected)*

MV#2

CALL TO WORSHIP: (***Responsive, Projected***)

One: Friends, let us gather at the city of God.

All: Here God comes to dwell in our midst.

One: There will be no sun or moon...

All: for the glory of God will be all the light we need.

One: There will be no night,

All: and the doors will never be shut.

One: The river of life flows through that city,

All: and we will dwell there in the presence of God forever.

One: Come, let us worship God.

OPENING PRAYER: (***Unison, Projected***)

It is a joy to gather beside your river of life, O God: to bask in the

refreshing breeze of your spirit, to enjoy the warmth of your love, to find ourselves surrounded by the sounds of your loving presence, and to enjoy the fruits of your goodness. Help us to find such a place in our daily lives, and to share its joy with others. Amen.

†HYMN: *Hey Now! Singing Hallelujah! (Projected)*

MV#121

(Children and Youth are invited to join with their leaders at one of the entrances to the Sanctuary)

Open Minds

SCRIPTURE: *Acts 16:9-15 (NRSV)*

Scripture Reader: *George Ziroff*

Affirmation:

One: This is the witness of The Church,

Many: **thanks be to God!**

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Strummers – God’s Reply – by Lennie Gallant*

THE MESSAGE: *“Visions of Community”*

Open Hands

†HYMN: *The Church of Christ in Every Age (Projected)*

VU#601

MINUTE FOR MISSION: *Ecumenical Chaplaincy*

INVITATION TO OPEN HANDS *(Leader)*

OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN HANDS

with our Tithes, Offerings, & Prayers.

(Please print clearly and place your Prayer Slips in the Prayer Baskets.)

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Strummers – Walk With Us*

– by *Paul Rumbolt*

†OFFERTORY: *Ev’ry Day Is a Day of Thanksgiving (Projected)* MV#185

‡OFFERTORY PRAYER: (*Unison, Projected*)

Loving God, we know that ministry is not something we do for others nearly so much as it is a life-giving work you call us to do with others. Use these gifts and our talents, blended with the gifts and talents of others around the world, to make a difference in our lives and the lives of others. Amen

CALL TO PRAYER: *Don't Be Afraid (Projected)*

MV#90

PASTORAL PRAYERS & PRAYER OF JESUS

Open Hearts to Each Other and the World

‡COMMISSIONING and BENEDECTION: (*Leader*)

‡HYMN: *We Have This Ministry (Projected)*

VU#510

POSTLUDE: *The Strummers – Go In Peace – by Sam Baker*

Participating in worship leadership today: Rev. Bob, Rev. Tracy, Kari Orosz, The Strummers, George Zirotto, Kristin Raugust, Don Mills, Ryan Sanderson, Sherrill Knight, Hope Cochran, Isabella Dressler, Sandra Glass, Marika Wagner, Mark Wagner.