

Opening Hymn It's a Song of Praise to the Maker MV30

Opening Prayer *(please be seated)*

All: God of righteousness,
You overcome those who abuse their power
And lift up those who suffer.
Even now, when evil seems to hold sway,
We know that you will have the last word.
Keep us faithful as we wait and watch for your coming
realm,
When you will welcome all your children
Into your community of justice, peace, and love. Amen.
Amen"

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer refrain VU 391
(please remain seated)

All: Holy God, you welcome us into your joy
And entrust us with your gospel.
In hope for the world to come
And with love for the world you made,
We offer our prayers for your church, your earth,
And your people.

Special Music TBA

Offering Invitation

Offering Refrain *(please stand if comfortable)* VU 541

All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures high and low;
Give thanks to God in love made known:
Creator, Word and Spirit; One. Amen.

Offering Prayer of Dedication

All: For all that you are and all that you do.
We give you thanks,
Our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.
We wait in hope for the coming of your realm
And offer these gifts to further your kingdom on
earth;
In Jesus' name. Amen,

Anthem Solo

We Hear God's Word

Christian Scripture *Matthew 25:14-30* *p807 pew bible*

One: This is a story of our faith.
All: Thanks be to God.

Congregational Response VU 37

All: "Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, hallelujah, hallelujah!"

Invitation to Confession

Our Prayer;
All: Almighty God,
You have shown us the ways of justice
And nurtured us with love. cont'd