Announcements This Week

- ✓ Welcome to our worship this day. "No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."
- ✓ Our Liturgist today is Brian Aspen.
- ✓ **Council Meeting** is this Tuesday at 5:00 pm.
- ✓ Advent Study: "Light of the World" begins November 20th (Wednesday) at 7pm in the Comfort Room. This week's topic: Meaning of Memory. All are welcome.

Please pray:

- For those who will ring bells for the Compassion Cupboard this season. Thank you, O Lord, for raising up those who give of their time (and sometimes comfort) to ring bells, calling your people to remember the poor, the unemployed, the children who are food insecure during this holiday season. Amen.
- All those who are ill or homebound or in care facilities.
- For others in our lives, especially: our Church Conference, Travelers, Military and First Responders.



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"\f" Invites all to stand in body or in spirit

WELCOME RINGING OF THE BELL

† CALL TO WORSHIP (One/**Many**) [cf. Psalm 16:1, 11] Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.

You show me the path of life.

In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Together, we will worship the Lord!

⊕ HYMN **CH #66**

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord our God, you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and have dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires.

You call us to seek justice and peace, but we are satisfied with injustice and discord. You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed, but we do not insist on freedom for all.

Forgive us, O Lord.

Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit, so that all may know your justice and peace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Hear the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

⊕ GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and always shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

→ PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 13:1-8
R: The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART ©

MESSAGE Rev. Chuck Aurand

⊕ HYMN
CH #275

"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

A TIME OF PRAYER

R: Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

A TIME OF OFFERING

⊕ Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, you heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

 $\ \ \$ Prayer of Dedication

⊕ HYMN CH #562

"Because He Lives"

