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Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Good Morning!

**Good Morning!**

How are you doing today?

**We're OK. Sometimes good; other times not so good.**

Welcome to this house of the Lord, here you will find healing for your souls.

**We come with great joy, for we need this healing love.**

Here you will also find a vision of peace for a broken world.

**Help us to become part of that vision and be those who serve God with just hearts and kind spirits. AMEN**

*\*Hymn Blessed Be the Name*

### Pastoral Prayer

God of Love and Mercy, you have given us stewardship to care for this wonderful planet and to care for our neighbors. We have been blessed with a variety of gifts and talents and you call us to use them to help others. Open our hearts today to ministries of peace with justice. Embolden us to become part of this great cloud of witnesses who were unafraid to be your disciples. We think of so many in this church and in our lives who have gone before us, braving the difficulties presented by life. We name them in our hearts before you, grateful for their example. (Silent prayer.) We also name in our hearts those people who are ill, who mourn, who feel lost and alone, those who are part of cultures of oppression and indignity. Help us to be those people who, by our example, will break those chains of poverty and burst the doors that imprison their spirits. Be with this church that it may be a true witness to Jesus Christ in all that we do. AMEN.

### The Lord's Prayer

Honoring God with our Tithes and Offerings and Praises

Invitation to give

Offering Prayer

God, everything we have has been given to us. We give back a portion this morning in the hope and expectation that you will use it to further your loving presence in this world.

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*Doxology*

*Hymn Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Scripture James 2-5 (The VOICE translation)

*2-4 Don't run from tests and hardships, brothers and sisters. As difficult as they are, you will ultimately find joy in them; if you embrace them, your faith will blossom under pressure and teach you true patience as you endure. And true patience brought on by endurance will equip you to*

