## Order of Service July 16 Starlyn Church, accompanist

## Prelude

Call to Worship Psalm 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Women: Worship the Lord with gladness! Men: Come into God's presence with singing! Leader: Know this! The Lord is God. Women: Know this! We belong to the Lord who made us. Men: Know this! We are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture. Leader: So, enter God's gates with thanksgiving, Women: Come into the holy courts with praise. Men: Give thanks to God and bless God's holy name. Leader: For the Lord is good; Women: God's steadfast love endures forever, Men: God's faithfulness is for all generations.

\*Opening Song "10,000 Reasons"

\*Opening Prayer & Greeting-Starlyn Church

Grant that I may hear your word with reverence, receive it with meekness, mingle it with faith, and that it may accomplish in me, Gracious God, the good work for which you have sent it. Bless my family, kindred, friends and country, be our God and guide this day and forever for his sake, who lay down in the grave and arose again for us, Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen. *(prayer attributed to George Washington)* 

Prayer of Confession (based on Mark 16:12-13; Luke 24:13-35)

> O Jesus Christ, sometimes we are so busy talking with each other that we fail to find you beside us. We walk on, so focused on our questions that we do not create the silent spaces which would allow you to speak with us and illuminate our journeying. O God, we ask for your forgiveness.

Stay with us, Jesus Christ. Reach out towards us and invite us to pause and meet with you, we pray.

As we look at our lives and that of the world around us, we are sometimes too anxious to share our real questions or our doubts and fears. We keep them within us in troubled silence.

O God, we ask for your forgiveness.

## Silent reflection

Stay with us, Jesus Christ. Reach out towards us and invite us to pause and meet with you, we pray. We call your name, O Christ, and hope to discover you here in our community of vulnerable faith. Amen.

\*Words of Assurance

Jesus Christ never leaves us nor forsakes us. Let us open our hearts to receive the grace which Christ brings to us in faithfulness. We are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen!

Welcome

Community Choir

Community Prayer & The Lord's Prayer - Steve Richarz

\*Song "This Is My Father's World"

Children's Message "Who's My Neighbor?" - Tami Bertelson

Community Choir

Scripture Reading – Luke 10:25-37 & Matthew 22:36-40 – Carol Woltzen

Message "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" – Pastor Jerry Bertelson

Closing Song "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Benediction

Postlude

Silent reflection