

Words to Ponder: “We are both meaning seekers and meaning makers. We try to discover the propose of our lives and to make sense of our experiences.” (Frederic and Mary Ann Brussat)

~ GATHERING AROUND THE WORD~

GATHERING MUSIC **Thuma Mina (Send Me, Oh Lord)** **Cape Town Youth Choir**
Send me, Father, to all nations.

WORDS OF WELCOME | *PASSING OF THE PEACE **Rev. Ann Hayman**

CALL TO WORSHIP **Nicholas Dukes**

We come from the day-to-day busyness of our lives.
We come with cares and worries, joys and celebrations.
Let us set it all aside and enter this time of worship.
May our hearts and minds be open to what God might say to us this day.
Trusting always in the Spirit to meet us, let us gather to worship God!

OPENING HYMN **Spirit of the Living God** **PH #322**

CALL TO CONFESSION **Nicholas Dukes**

UNISON PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

O Holy One, you are light for our shadows.
Courage for our fears. Hope for our despair.
Peace for our turmoil. Joy for our sorrows.
Strength for our weaknesses. Wisdom for our confusion.
Love for our hates. Forgiveness for our sins.
We offer our gratitude and our open hearts. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Listen to the Good News! Hope in God, for God's love has no ending; God fills us with grace and hope, this day, and forever.
God hears our voice, and listens to our prayers, redeeming us from all our sins.
Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE **“No body loves me!** **Rev. Ann Hayman**
I am going to eat worms!”

ANTHEM **“Sent by the Lord am I / Sent out in Jesus name” / “Enviado soy de Dios”**
Golden Ears United Church Choir

~PROCLAIMING THE WORD ~

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Nicholas Dukes

SCRIPTURE READING

Ezekiel 2:1-7 (ICB)

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SERMON

**“Going Home”
Mark 6:1-6**

Rev. Ann Hayman

~RESPONDING TO THE WORD~

WORDS OF FAITH (adapted from Belonging to God: A First Catechism)

We believe when Jesus spoke, he spoke with God’s authority. When Jesus acted, he acted with God’s power. Jesus amazed people with his deeds of power, but he was also gentle and loving. Even now, he cares for us in all our needs as a shepherd cares for sheep. Jesus also called his disciples to follow him. Jesus fed the hungry, healed the sick, blessed children, befriended outcasts, required people to repent, and forgave their sins. He taught people not to fear, but to always trust in God. He preached the good news of God’s love and gave everyone hope for new life. We live our lives in gratitude for the person and work of Jesus Christ. Amen.

COMMUNION

Rev. Ann Hayman | Elder Dennis Dozier

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Communion Hymn “I Know It Was the Blood”

Elder Dr. Hansonia Caldwell-Harriford

Prayer following Communion

PASTORAL PRAYER and the Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Ann Hayman

THE OFFERING

Call to Giving

Nicholas Dukes

Offertory

“I Must Tell Jesus”

New Chosen Disciples

+Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise God all creatures here
below, praise God above all heavenly hosts, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.**

Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Nicholas Dukes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

~BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD~

CLOSING HYMN

“Spirit”

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BENEDICTION

Rev. Ann Hayman

POSTLUDE

“I’ll Walk with God”

Elder Dr. Hansonia Caldwell-Harriford