*Affirmation of Faith Kaiya Lee

Leader: Today, we stand together as a community of faith, united in our belief in the God who created us, who loves us, and who calls us to live out His love in the world. As we affirm our faith, we remember that it is not just about what we say, but about how we live and what we believe in our hearts. On this Youth Sunday, let us hear these ancient words afresh, as a declaration of our shared faith and our commitment to follow Christ— no matter our age, no matter our circumstances. So, let us now say together, with conviction and joy, what we believe.

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

Sara Duncan

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

The Offering

Offertory

*Doxology No. 606

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication Amelia Gordon

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*Hymn of Commissioning Be Thou My Vision No. 450

*Benediction David Duncan

Postlude

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* Those who are able, please stand. **Bold** is to be read in unison.

Prayer of Preparation

Heavenly Father, we come before You today with hearts full of gratitude and anticipation. As we prepare for Youth Sunday, we thank You for the young people in our church community, for their energy, their passion, and their desire to grow in faith. Lord, we pray that You guide us in this time of worship and reflection. Prepare the hearts and minds of all those involved, that we may serve You with sincerity and joy. Fill the youth with Your Spirit, that they may speak and act with courage, sharing Your love and truth in a way that touches the hearts of all who are gathered. We ask for Your wisdom and direction as we plan and carry out the service. May every song, every prayer, and every word spoken be a reflection of Your grace and love. Let this Sunday be a reminder of Your constant presence in our lives and a celebration of the unique gifts You have placed within each of us. Lord, bless the youth as they lead and inspire, and may this time bring glory to Your name. We thank You for the opportunity to worship together as one body, united in Christ. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

David Duncan

Welcoming and Announcements

Everyone is asked to sign the Friendship Folder in the pew rack. **Visitors**: Please completely fill out your name, mailing address, and e-mail address to enable us to extend our Christian hospitality. Please pass the folder to your neighbor, and then return it to the center aisle with the cover open so that you may learn the names of the other worshipers. For sight impaired worshipers: Large Print Hymnals are available from the ushers. For hearing impaired worshipers: We recommend downloading the Listen Everywhere app.

*Greeting One Another in Love

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Prelude Victor Holton

Call to Worship (Responsive)

David Duncan

Leader: Come, young and old, seekers and believers — Today, we celebrate the voice of a new generation! People: We come with open hearts, ready to worship, led by the energy, faith, and vision of our youth. Leader: In their questions, we find courage. In their passion, we find purpose. In their dreams, we glimpse the Kingdom of God.

People: We come to lift our voices, to grow together in love, and to praise the One who calls us all. Let us worship the Lord with joy, For today and every day, God is doing a new thing among us!

*Hymn of Praise How Firm a Foundation No. 463

*Prayer of Confession (Responsive)

Christina Chvatal

Gracious God, You call us to be bold in faith, but sometimes we stay silent. You invite us to be peacemakers, but we hold on to grudges and let our anger speak louder than love. You give us dreams, but we doubt that we're enough to make a difference. Forgive us when we forget who we are — Your children, created with purpose and filled with potential. Help us to see ourselves and each other through Your eyes. Renew our hearts, redirect our steps, and lead us in the way of Jesus, with courage, compassion, and grace.

(Silent reflection)

Leader: God's love is bigger than our mistakes. God's mercy is new every morning. Hear and believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Assurance of God's Grace

Christina Chvatal

No. 353

Leader: Youth and adults, hear this truth: God's love for you is unshakeable. No mistake is too big, no fear too strong. Grace surrounds you like the air you breathe, giving you strength, hope, and purpose. We are not defined by our failures, but by the endless mercy of our Creator. Through Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and empowered to live with boldness and love. So, know this today and every day: You are God's beloved. You are made new in Christ's grace. Now, walk forward with courage and joy.

All: Thanks be to God, for in God's grace, we are free. Amen.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Lesson Joshua 1:8, Psalm 119:105 Pew Bible pages 152-153 Pew Bible page 439

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 **Second Scripture Lesson** Pew Bible pages

Leader: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Hershey's for Mom on Mother's Day Caitlyn Chvatal, Sarah Duncan, Amelia Gordon and Kaiya Lee

Anthem You Say Lauren Daigle

Sermon/Skit Cover2Cover

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of the Day My Hope is Built on Nothing Less