

**“Opening of the Hour”**

**“The Call to Worship”**

Show the good news: People who are lost are being found.

**Glorify, glorify!** *Hallelujah!*

Show the good news: God goes out into the wilderness of our lives seeking us when we are lost.

**Glorify, glorify!** *Hallelujah!*

Show the good news: To Jesus Christ, full of faith and love, in the Beloved of the Ages, incarnated, crucified, in the Spirit of peace and mercy.

**All honor and glory are yours forever and ever. Amen!**

**Signs** “Come We that Love the Lord” **UMH 107**

**“The Opening Prayer”**

Christ Jesus, we stand in your presence, remembering your amazing welcome of all who are lost and fallen. Sometimes we feel as if we are lacking in this group, for we’ve fallen short of who we might be. Still, we come into your presence with confidence in your love, and we praise you for the acceptance that you show us all. To you be honor and glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**The Children’s Message**

**Time of Sharing and Prayer**

Signs and Crosses

The Personal Prayer/The Lords Prayer (UMH 888)

**Signs** “Jesus, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” **UMH 881**

**Prayer** Psalm 94 **UMH 146**

**“Affirmation of Faith”** The Apostles’ Creed **UMH 881**

**“Gloria Patri”** **UMH 107**

**The New Testament Reading – 1 Timothy 1:12-17** p. 178

**The Gospel Reading – Luke 15:1-10** p. 172

This is the Word of God for the people of God  
 Thanks be to our Lord Jesus Christ,

**Prayer for Illumination**

**The Message** “Not Places, But People.”

**The Recalling of God’s Blessings and Our Offerings**

Glorify

“The Blessings”

**UMH 95**

**“The Prayer of Dedication** Loving God, your love comes into this world to care us all with overflowing grace, and faithful love. Show all the offerings we bring today, that those gifts might demonstrate your welcome to all who are fallen. Bring the lost home, dear love. Bring them home in peace.

**Amen.**

**Signs** “To Us, the Pleading” **UMH 881**

**“The Charge and Blessing”**

Go forth like a shepherd. Seek the lost. Seek the fallen.

Welcome the stranger. Bring them home. Always remember that our eternal dwelling is the very presence of God. Rejoice for us that God has found us and carries us home.

To Christ Jesus, our Lord, who loves us and will not let us go: **Glorify, glorify!** *Hallelujah!*

**Response** “God for the Faith that binds us.” **UMH 881**

**“Closing of the Holy Eucharist”**

“Please stand as you are able.”