Sunday, August 4, 2013 8:30am

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As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord’s presence.

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.

*“Be still and know that I am God.”* Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE  *“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”* – arr. Hobby

MINUTE FOR MISSION: The Shack Team

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor)

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 76*

Leader: Make vows to the Lord your God, and perform them.

**People: Let all who are around Him bring gifts to the one who is awesome.**

\*HYMN *“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”* *No. 143*

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**Loving and Eternal Father, we give You thanks and praise for Your everlasting love and constant nurturing. You lead us along paths of righteousness and shower us with blessings that we do not deserve. You provide us with all that we need, and give us hope in the midst of despair. But Lord, we cling to that which destroys us. We value that which takes us away from Your plans for our lives. Forgive us Lord, and help us to give up that which is destructive for us. We pray this through Jesus our Savior, Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

*[Please share Christ’s peace with one another with*

 *handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]*

\*HYMN *“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”* *No. 281*

**Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;**

**I am weak, but Thou art mighty; hold me with Thy powerful hand;**

**Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,**

**Feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.**

 (Children may come up front during the hymn for the Children’s Message)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Beth Feiler

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING *Judges 16:28-31 (OT p235)*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING *John 12:20-26 (NT p106)*

SERMON The Gospel of John:Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

*“Being Willing to Give It Up”*

\*HYMN *“Be Thou My Vision”* *No. 339*

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

 OFFERTORY *“Quiet Voice”* - Dengler

 Holly Miller with Catherine Baker, violin

 \*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,*

*praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer *(pg. 16 in the hymnal)*

 Words of Institution

 Welcome

 Distribution

*[As you come forward, the leaders will offer the bread*

*with words such as, “The body of Christ for you”;*

*and the cup with words such as, “The blood of Christ for you.”*

*As you receive these gifts, you may simply respond with, “Amen” -*

*in this way you acknowledge the bread and cup as God’s gifts to you*

*through Jesus Christ.]*

\*ALLELUIA

\*BENEDICTION & RESPONSE

**Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me. Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now. With every step I take let this be my solemn vow. To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.**

\*POSTLUDE *“God of Grace” – arr. Manz*