Prelude Welcome Entry of the Bible (*please stand if you are able*)

Call to Worship:

O children of God, may your stony hearts break

For God shall give us new hearts of flesh

What do you seek from God today?

O Lord, fill my heart with faith, hope and love!

Let our hearts sing with joy as we come into God's presence!

(Everyone cheers together)

Let us worship God!

Hallelujah, we will sing!

## Hymn # 324 - Great is thy faithfulness

Prayer of Approach

Unison Prayer of Confession:
O Lord, I confess I have been unfeeling.
I have hardened my heart to injustices I cannot solve, and lowered my gaze to myself and my troubles.
You watch each tear that falls from your child, while I shrug and turn away.
Save me from myself, that I may care more deeply than anyone, and love even the worst as you love them.

#### Lord's Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but

# deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

## "Passing of the Peace" ~ a time to welcome each other

## Children's Hymn # 773 - Jesus bids us shine

Children's Time and Prayer

Scripture Readings:

1 Corinthians 13	pp. 1711
Psalm 42 (responsive)	pp. 841
Song of Songs 2	pp. 1010
Luke 15:11-32	<i>pp</i> . 1557

Sermon: "Song of Songs: What's this stuff doing in my Bible?"

## Hymn # 695 - Although I speak with angel's tongue

**Collection of Offering** 

Doxology Hymn #79

Offering Prayer of Dedication

Announcements

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

## Hymn # 717 - We cannot own the sunlit sky

Benediction

Postlude