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First Presbyterian
Church of Dunedin

SANCTUARY SERVICE WORSHIP GUIDE

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Celebration

of God's love, justice, and peace in creation, in others and in ourselves.

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Sentences

David Bramley, Liturgist

Let us live in the House of God our whole lives long.

We will contemplate God's beauty. We will study at God's feet.

Here is a quiet, secure place, far from the noise of the world.

**Here we will worship God with shouts of joy, sing,
and make music to God.**

*Hymn 301 – “Let Us Build a House”

*Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,
you call us to follow your way of compassion
but too often we criticize each other.**

**You call us to follow your way of peace
but too often we remain divided.**

**You call us to trust you
but too often our fears and doubts overwhelm us.**

**Forgive us, O God,
and strengthen our commitment to follow your ways**

(pause for silent confession)

Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*Response (Hymn 405)

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Discovery

of God's love, justice, and peace in creation, in others and in ourselves.

Prayer for Understanding

Please pray with me:

**O God, we seek your wisdom and truth in the Scriptures.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us to open our minds and hearts
to receive the gift of your Word. Challenge and comfort us in what we
hear, and strengthen us to follow Jesus, your Living Word. Amen.**

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 9:1-4

Pew Bible, page 555

The Word of the Lord!/Thanks be to God!

Choral Response

"Come to the Water"

Foley

O let all who thirst,
let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing,
let them come to the Lord:
without money, without price.
Why should you pay the price,
except for the Lord?

And let all who seek,
let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing,
let them come to the Lord:
without money, without strife.
Why should you spend your life,
except for the Lord?

And let all who toil,
let them come to the water.
And let all who are weary,
let them come to the Lord:
all who labor, without rest.
How can your soul find rest,
except for the Lord?

And let all the poor,
let them come to the water,
Bring the ones who are laden,
bring them all to the Lord:
bring the children without might.
Easy the load and light:
come to the Lord.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 4:12-23

The Gospel of the Lord!/Praise to you, O Christ!

Pew Bible, page 785

Sermon

Rev. Dr. David Shelor

*Hymn 463 – “How Firm a Foundation”

Prayers of the People & The 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;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Action

for God's love, justice, and peace in creation, in others and in ourselves.

Call - *To creation, to others, to self*

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Prayer of Dedication

Please pray with me:

God of the fishers who first followed Jesus, you have called us to follow and here we are. We offer what we have and ask you to bless our gifts.

Give us the courage we need to invite others to join us in following Jesus, our friend and savior. Amen.

***Hymn 726 – “Will You Come and Follow Me?”**

***Benediction & Sharing Peace**

***Postlude**

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

*You are invited to share in a time of fellowship and refreshment
in Hager Hall.*

Hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals are available upon request. An usher would be glad to help you.

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