

Paola/Miami – Prelude **“Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth” -F. Mendelssohn** Gail Jones
& Ringing the Church Bell

Osawatomie – Prelude **“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”** Marti Bogart

Announcements

Osawatomie – Ringing the Chimes

Call to Worship

Leader: Where are the teachers in our midst who will guide us as we learn?

People: We follow Christ’s example and learn from one another!

Leader: Where are Jesus’ disciples, who thirst to know God’s ways?

People: We follow Christ’s example and learn from one another!

Leader: Our church school is this sacred space and our classroom is the world.

People: We follow Christ’s example and learn from one another!

Leader: Thanks be to God for new beginnings, for new opportunities to learn together!

All: We follow Christ’s example and learn from one another!

Glory to God Hymn #399 – God Welcome All (twice)

We are called to confess

Many people brought their greatest needs to Jesus, certain that he would help them. With that same confidence, let us confess our failings and seek forgiveness.

We confess our sins to God and one another

Almighty and compassionate God, every day, in our desire to attain our wants, avoid discomfort, and shun those we do not know or love, we show ourselves to be unworthy of your gifts of life. Of this we are sorely aware, and we ask your power to renew us in body and spirit, that we will be able, through your help, to walk in the way you intend for us. Forgive us and lead us, in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Time for silent, personal confession

We receive the assurance of pardon

Just as Jesus made the deaf to hear and the mute to speak, our merciful God lifts our burdens from us, removes the failures of our past, and turns us to new life. You are forgiven. Walk in peace.

Glori Patri

Passing the Peace

Message for the Young at Heart (Video)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S GOOD NEWS

We Pray Together, the Prayer of the Day

God of love, you show your people how to be truly rich in faith, through the gifts you give when least hoped for or expected. Come to your people today with words of both judgment and mercy, that we may be fed from the bread of life. We pray this in your holy triune name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, Mother of us all. Amen.

Today's Scripture Reading: (From the Message)

Psalm 146
James 2:1-10

Liturgist
Pastor Paul

Reflecting on Scripture – Sermon Title: “Favorites”

Pastor Paul

Miami/Paola Special Music

“Holy Manna”-Setting, J Carter

Gail Jones

Osawatomie Special Music

“Majesty”

Marti Bogart

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer (Please use debts and debtors)

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 and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Call to stewardship

“Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor.” Let us celebrate our blessings with generosity as we collect the offering for the work and worship of this congregation.

We ask for blessings on our tithes and offerings

Generous God, you have made rich and poor, powerful and vulnerable alike in your image. Bless the gifts we have gathered today that we may use them to protect the afflicted and bring greater justice to your world. Amen.

We Affirm Our Faith Together

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So, to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

Words of Institution

We will partake the elements together.

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life. Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love. God our Mother, you have fed us with your grace. Now send us out into your beloved world to share your life, your love, your grace with all. Blessing and honor and glory to you, holy, holy, holy Lord. Amen.

WE RESPOND AND GO IN GOD'S NAME

Glory to God Hymn #766 – The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

Charge & Benediction

Closing Response

“Go ye now in peace and know that the love of God will guide you...Feel his presence here beside you, showing you the way...go ye now in peace, go ye now in peace.”

Postlude

**Miami/Paola
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**“Lead On, O King Eternal”-R. Thygerson
“Count Your Blessings”**

**Gail Jones
Marti Bogart**