

Miami – Prelude & Ringing of the Church Bell	“Chorale and Variation”-Pachelbel	Gail Jones
Osawatomie – Prelude	“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”	Marti Bogart
Paola – Prelude	“Ach Gott Und Herr”-J. Walther	Gail Jones

Announcements

Osawatomie – Ringing the Chimes

Call to Worship

Leader: “Who do you say that I am?” Jesus asked

People: and Peter answered, “The Messiah.”

Leader: Let us worship the One who is our savior

All: and follow in Christ’s path of love.

✠ **Glory to God Hymn #451 – Open My Eyes, That I May See**

We are called to confession

The Lord listens to the cries of the people who turn with full hearts to the One who has mercy. Let our tongues now make confession in the presence of God and of this body.

We confess our sins to God and one another

Holy God, in the face of sin, our gravest enemy, we call to you for help. You know our fault before we speak. Forgive us for what we have done in opposition to your will. Forgive us for those things we have not undertaken and for which we know our wrong. We have not loved you and our neighbors as we ought. We have denied our dependence on you. Lead us away from this grief and sorrow. Save us so that we may fulfill our vows to you and attend to the needs of your people. Amen.

Time for silent, personal confession

We receive the assurance of pardon

God, who is gracious and merciful, knows the human desire to save our lives by avoiding Jesus’ call to carry the cross. God, who is full of compassion, also knows that those who repent have set their minds and hearts on what endures for all time. Your sin is forgiven you. The Lord God is a very present help to those who seek to follow in the way of divine things. Go with God in joy as you take up your cross, in Jesus’ name.

All: Thanks be to God.

✠ **Glori Patri**

Passing the Peace

Message for the Young at Heart

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S GOOD NEWS

We Pray Together, the Prayer of the Day

Holy Wisdom of God You call to us from the depths of our hearts, where we long for connection with you and with one another. You call to us from busy streets and neighborhoods, Where human pain and possibility are most urgent. You call to us from our sacred stories, where God, Christ, Spirit create, challenge, comfort. Guide us, we pray, on an adventure of hope, and help us see with your eyes the ways which lead to beloved community where Christ Jesus is at the center.

Today’s Scripture Reading:

Psalm 116:1–9

Liturgist

James 3:1–12

Pastor Paul

Reflecting on Scripture – Taming the Tongue

Pastor Paul

Miami Special Music

“Chorale and Variation”-Pachelbel

Gail Jones

Osawatomie Special Music

“Majesty”

Marti Bogart

Paola Special Music

“Oh, Sing to the Lord a New Song”-John Lerritt

Gail Jones

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

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

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

The psalmist declares, “The heavens are telling the glory of God. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.” Let us share our gifts so that we can also partake in telling others of God’s glory!

We ask for blessings on our tithes and offerings

All-knowing God, teach us to use these gifts to create greater access, insights, and wisdom for people within and outside of these walls. So be it!

✠ **Doxology**

WE RESPOND AND GO IN GOD’S NAME

✠ **Glory to God Hymn #722 – Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak**

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

“Rise , Shine You People”-D. Wood setting L. Peterson

Gail Jones

Osawatomie

“Count Your Blessings”

Marti Bogart

Paola

“Voluntary in A Major”-W Selby(edt. EPB)

Gail Jones