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*Sunday, July 28th, 2024*

**Welcome** **& Announcements** Jim Winton

**Blessing of the Backpacks**

*****Leader: Heavenly Father, these children and their backpacks remind us that a new school year has begun, and we pray your blessing upon all students, faculty, and staff.*

**Congregation: Grant us the wisdom to meet their needs in the coming year.**

*Leader: We have the ability to encourage Christ-confidence in others.*

**Congregation: Lord, we are called to be part of your work in the world.**

*Leader: Help all of us to discover and develop our gifts and strengths and use them for your purposes.*

**Congregation: Grant that this congregation, parents, teachers, other school personnel, and these students may be a means of grace in this coming school year.**

*****Unison: Lord, bless these children, and their families, the faculty and staff in this new school year. Amen.***

**Greeting of the Fellowship**

**Prelude** Mary Collins

**\*Gathering Hymn** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing #225*

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*Leader: The earth shakes and the water quivers.*

**People: The wind whistles and the sun listens.**

*Leader: The beauty of creation mingles with the power of creation.*

**People: Awed in wonder and trembling with fear, we seek a safe place,**

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**People: And welcome God’s love that conquers our fear.**

**\*Invocation & Lord’s Prayer** (We use “sins”) Jim Winton

**Hymn** *It is Well with My Soul  #705*

**Scripture Reading** *2 Kings 4:42-44* Jim Winton

One: Hear what God is saying to the people

**Many: Thanks be to God!**

**Worship Prayer**  Pastor Dianna Cline

**Prayer Song** *Cares Chorus*

**Prayer** (During the prayer you will have the opportunity to call out concerns and praises)

**\*Hymn** *Tell Me the Old, Old Story #621*

**Scripture Reflection** *John 6:1-21*  Pastor Dianna Cline

***“Provision and Peace”***

**\*Hymn of Response** *His Eye is on the Sparrow*

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**Invitation to Respond** Jim Winton

**Offertory** Mary Collins **\*Doxology**

**\*Prayer** Jim Winton

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**Benediction**  Pastor Dianna Cline

**Postlude** Mary Collins

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