

Service of Worship

October 31, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS and *Birthdays/Anniversaries*

PRELUDE Sandy Adkins, pianist

***GATHERING SONG**, tune, "*Closer Walk*,"

**Let me stand on Standfast Hill, There my faith and hope refill;
Feel again God's loving grace; And find strength for days I must face.**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We are people who have been called to follow where God leads us.

All: By faith we can obey, even when asked to walk into an unknown future.

One: We are people who have been challenged to tell God's story to others.

All: By faith we have the ability to share the good news.

One: We are God's children who are invited to feast at the table of grace.

All: By faith we will embrace our brothers and sisters in Christ.

***HYMN** *All Creatures of Our God and King*

UMH 62

OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Spirit of life and hope, we sense your presence in this place. Awaken us again to the mysteries that humble us, the realities that orient us, the beauty that informs us, the fellowship that sustains us, and the creativity that heightens and deepens our living, that we may give ourselves in honesty and openness to the larger life before us. Amen

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

