Prelude
Priere a Notre Dame
--Leon Boellmann

Life in the Church
Rev. Dr. Debra J.K. Bronkema

Introit
“Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”
--J.J. Schutz/Traditional

Call to Worship
Leader: God is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.
People: We have gathered to hear the story of God and God’s people.
Leader: It is a story of God’s mercy and steadfast love.
People: It is our story, for we are God’s people.
All: Inspire us, our God, to faithfulness, to mercy, to steadfast love. Let us become a people who reflect your image.

*Hymn of Praise
“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”
#464 in the hymnal

*Opening Prayer

Call and Prayer of Confession
Powerful, gentle God, you can take desert waste and make it grow into fruitful land. We need your power to change life. Too often we forget to live thankful lives, and we get bogged down in self-pity and blame. Empower us, God. Help us to feel your Spirit changing in each day, that our lives may be full and glowing in your love. Through the Spirit, whose breath sustains us, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Congregational Response
“Song of Simeon”
#603 in the hymnal – verse 2
This is the Savior of the world, the Gentiles’ promised light, God’s glory dwelling in our midst, The joy of Israel.

Passing of the Peace

Anthem
“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”
-- Words: Neander/Music: Traditional

Children's Sermon
Hannah Scanlon

Ecumenical Vacation Bible School
Roy Meares
The Browand family

Hymn
“Take My Life”
#391 in the hymnal vs. 1-2

Presbyterian Camps

Hymn
“Take My Life”
#391 in the hymnal vs. 3-4

Appalachia Service Project
Gail Zarick

Hymn
“Take My Life”
#391 in the hymnal vs. 5-6
Meditation

“Connecting the Dots”

Pastor Debbie

Offering God Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

*Doxology, #592 in the hymnal

*Prayer of Dedication

Call to Prayer

“Be Thou My Vision”
#339 in the hymnal vs. 1

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
nought be all else to me, save Thou art –
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer (saying ‘debts’) Page 16 in the hymnal “The Lord’s Prayer”
(traditional)

*Closing Hymn

“God of Grace and God of Glory”
#420 in the hymnal

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response

“Amen”

Postlude

Procession Alegre
--Gary A. Cornell

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Thank you to Craig Degener for playing the organ for us today!

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