Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Call to Worship

Come and enter into the presence of God.

We leave our worries and stress at the door.

Come and rest from your labors.

We welcome God's peace in our lives.

Come and be renewed by the love of Christ.

We are ready to be filled with God's refreshing Spirit.

Hymn Lord, Prepare me to be a Sanctuary

see insert

Silent Prayer of Confession Words of Assurance The Gloria Patri

Welcome & Announcements

Scripture Reading Mark 7:24-37

²⁴ Jesus left and went to the region near the city of Tyre, where he stayed in someone's home. He did not want people to know he was there, but they found out anyway. ²⁵ A woman whose daughter had an evil spirit in her heard where Jesus was. And right away she came and knelt down at his feet. ²⁶ The woman was Greek and had been born in the part of Syria known as Phoenicia. She begged Jesus to force the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷ But Jesus said, "The children must first be fed! It isn't right to take away their food and feed it to dogs."

²⁸The woman replied, "Lord, even dogs eat the crumbs that children drop from the table."

²⁹ Jesus answered, "That's true! You may go now. The demon has left your daughter." ³⁰ When the woman got back home, she found her child lying on the bed. The demon had gone.

³¹ Jesus left the region around Tyre and went by way of Sidon toward Lake Galilee. He went through the land near the ten cities known as Decapolis. ³² Some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk. They begged Jesus just to touch him.

³³ After Jesus had taken him aside from the crowd, he stuck his fingers in the man's ears. Then he spit and put it on the man's tongue. ³⁴ Jesus looked up toward heaven, and with a groan he said, "Effatha!" which means "Open up!" ³⁵ At once the man could hear, and he had no more trouble talking clearly.

³⁶ Jesus told the people not to say anything about what he had done. But the more he told them, the more they talked about it. ³⁷ They were completely amazed and said, "Everything he does is good! He even heals people who cannot hear or talk."

Sermon Rest

Pastoral Prayer Silent Prayer The Lord's Prayer

Organ Response "Cares Chorus"

The Lord's Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Blessing

Hymn One Bread, One Body see insert

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving (In Unison)

We give thanks for experiencing your presence in the bread and the cup. May our hearts rest in the amazing love of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Offering of our Gifts

Invitation

Doxology

Pastoral Prayer of Dedication

Hymn There is a Balm in Gilead #235

Benediction Postlude

St Paul's United Church of Christ Henderson, Minnesota

September 5, 2021 at 9:30am

