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Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this joyous morning! We hope you feel at home in our midst. If you are visiting or new to the congregation please introduce yourself to Rev. Burke, and please know we are delighted you have come!

Thought for Meditation:

THE GATHERING

*Please rise in body or in spirit for sections marked with an asterisk.

*THE ENTRANCE OF THE SYMBOLS

*WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

*INTROIT: Hope Shines as the Solitary Star (#220 MV)

Hope shines as the solitary star. Faith is the inner light.
You and I together mirror the Light of Lights,
and illumine the pathway home.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The joy of the Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let us worship the Lord together!

*HYMN #220 VU Praise To The Lord, The Almighty

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER:

We enter your gates with thanksgiving, O God. We enter this place with joy and wonder, with hearts full and spirits raised. In communion with you, and with all your people, we come! And so together we pray as Jesus taught us, saying:

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 trespasses,

As we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil,

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,

For ever and ever. Amen.

THE DEDICATION OF THE ACCESSIBILITY PROJECT:

T H E W O R D O F G O D

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON: Ephesians 1:15-18

ANTHEM

SERMON: *On Being Astonished: Steadfast Love and Radical Hope*

***HYMN#1 MV Let Us Build A House**

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY All That We Have (From *Gather*)

All that we have and all that we offer,

**Comes from a heart both frightened and free.
Take what we bring now and give what we need.
All done in his name.**

***HYMN #232 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You**

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING: Go To The World (#420 VU v.4)

**Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
For I am with you 'til the age shall end,
when all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!"
Hal – le – lu-jah! Hal – le – lu-jah!**