**November 12, 2023**

**Celebration Sunday**

\*Hymn: “We Will Glorify” #216

Welcome & Announcements – Lynn Saucier

Prelude: “Pursue Peace” – Amy Marsh

Invitation to Worship (In Unison):

Come now to worship with confidence before our God for we know that nothing can separate us from the love of God.
Hunger cannot.
Hardship cannot.
Death cannot.
People cannot.
The ways of the world cannot.
Nothing in all creation can separate us from the love of God.

So then, let us worship our most amazing God!

Invocation & Lord’s Prayer (debts)

Scripture Reading: Psalm 78:1-7 – Laureen Galayda

Children’s Message – Laureen Galayda

Praise Music: “Battle Hymn of the Republic” – Gina Palmieri

Scripture: Matthew 25:1-13

Sermon: “Lord, Lord, Open to Us” – Pastor Sharon

\*Hymn: “Glorify Thy Name” #52

Prayer Time

\*Hymn: “I Know Whom I Have Believed” #628 vs. 1,2 & 4

\*Benediction

Postlude: “God Bless the U.S.A” – Les Marsh

\* Those who are able, please stand.

**Psalm 78:1-7**

1Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

2I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,

3things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

4We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.

5He established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children;

6that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children,

7so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments;