



RURAL LIFE EMPHASIS SUNDAY

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

"...our lives are sustained by God's creation where the fields produce food crops, the trees and lush foliage provide pure and fresh air..."

UCCP Calendar Planner

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Seeds of hope and love are planted in our hearts,

People: Where they sprout and grow and bring forth plants.

ALL: In hope and unity, we go forth sowing seeds of God's mercy and grace, where they grow in the hearts of others.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

For The Beauty of the Earth 233 HFJ

For the beauty of the earth, for the splendor of the skies,
For the love which from our birth, over and around us lies.

Refrain: God of all, to you we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour, of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild.

*INVOCATION (Liturgist)

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION (Liturgist)

The Bible assures us that if we are honest and sincere in our search for peace and forgiveness, God will hear and forgive us our sins. Let us come to God in the spirit of humility and confession.

SILENT MOMENT OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON (Minister)

SONG OF ASSURANCE

Amazing Grace

CHURCH CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*GREETINGS AND FELLOWSHIP

The More We Get Together

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER (Minister)

RESPONSE

I Know the Lord Will Answer All My Prayers

I know the Lord will answer all my prayers (2x)
If I live a holy life shun the wrong and do the right
I know the Lord will answer all my prayers.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

*SCRIPTURE READING (Liturgist)

MESSAGE THROUGH SONG

MESSAGE THROUGH THE SPOKEN WORD

CALL TO OFFERING (Liturgist)

God has given us all that we need. He has given us life and blessings. In response, let us therefore give thanks to all that God has provided through the offering of our lives, gifts and talents.

THE OFFERING OF LIVES AND LABOR (while offertory music is played)

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God the Source of Life and Birth

Praise God the Source of Life and Birth, praise God the Word who came to earth.
Praise God the Spirit, Holy Flame, all honor glory to God's name. Amen.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Liturgist)

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

O Jesus, I Have Promised **291 HFJ**

O Jesus, I have promised to serve You to the end;
Remain forever near me, my Savior and my Friend:
I shall not fear life's struggles if You are by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if You will be my guide.

O Jesus, You have promised to all who follow You
That where You are in glory, Your servants shall be, too;
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve You to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Savior and my Friend!

CLOSING PRAYER

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

Five-Fold Amen