Christians and Empire: How then shall we live? October 27, 2024

# Gathering

VT 414 Jesus Shall Reign Call to worship Welcome, Birthday Recognition Peace Lamp L: Let justice roll down like a river

P: And goodness like an ever flowing stream.

Offering and Confession Confession Offering VT 420 God of the Bible

# Remembering

All Saints Slide show and candle lighting

### **Telling God's Story**

VT 63 Like a Rock Children's time *Children 3 and under are dismissed for Little Children's time, following that there is child care available.* Scripture Genesis 3:1-7

L: The stories of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon

Sharing our Stories VT 412 My Soul Cries Out Sermon response/Sharing from our lives Pastoral Prayer

#### Sending

Introduction of Visitors Announcements *Sunday school teachers are dismissed before the final hymn* VT 838 The Peace of the Earth Be with You Benediction *Children are dismissed to Sunday School* 

**Thanks to:** *Worship Leader*: Barb Hassan; *Song Leader*: Mary Gilbert; *Musicians*: Leon Bauman, Becky Snider, Anne Horst Hanby, Jim Stump, and Mary Gilbert; *Peace Lamp*: Jon Zirkle; *Children's Time*: Moriah Hurst and Magda Horst; *Sermon*: Brian Roots; Scripture reader: Saya Quintana; *Pastoral sharing and prayer*: Anna Yoder Schlabach; *Tech Crew*: Eric Good Kaufmann and Sean Smuts

*If you have an announcement that pertains to the whole congregation, please get it in writing to the worship leader.* 

# **Second Hour Instructions**

<u>This Sunday we will be having discussions around tables</u> in the multipurpose space. As you get your coffee please join a table with a paper of questions on it. There will be prompts to start the group with sharing and you are invited to discuss questions that the sermon has raised. A bell will ring at the end of the time to mark our closing. <u>If you would prefer to be doing something with your hands</u> during 2nd hour, a table is set up with Advent Candles. Sermon response questions will also be at this table but the focus is chatting while writing numbers on candles to help prepare for the Advent Season.

**Artwork:** The "Tree of Life" carpet was hand knotted by Abdul Jabber from the village of Chistian in Pakistan. It is made from silk and wool yarns with more than 500 knots per square inch. Read more about this piece in the gathering space or in the Assemblyline.