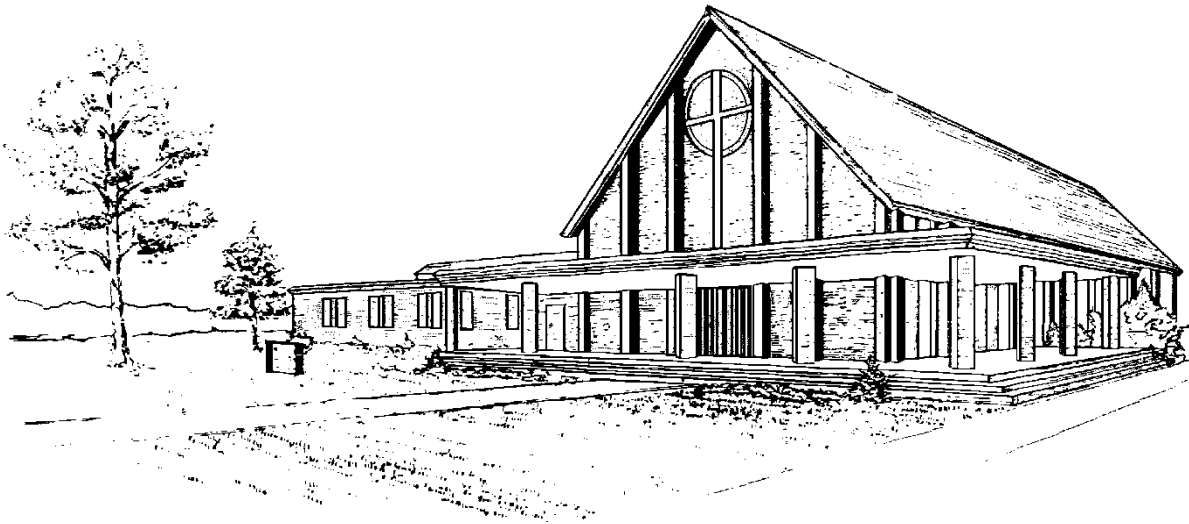


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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

Deacon Barbara Small

GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

We celebrate the God of infinite power and love,
Who has called us into community.

***We gather with God's people of every age and place who have,
by faith, found their true citizenship in heaven.***

We journey together with hope, knowing that God will fulfill the promises of
Kingdom life for us and for all of God's children.

***Thanks be to God for the faith that makes our life in Christ
complete, and promises life everlasting to all who believe.***

HYMN # 280

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

AMAZING GRACE

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found. Was blind, but now I see.*

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear. And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!*

*Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come.
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.*

*The Lord has promised good to me. His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.*

*When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we confess that we have lived so comfortably in the abundance of our times that we have made things our gods. We spend our days dreaming and working for possessions that cannot satisfy. The pursuit of riches replaces the quest for faith and faithful relationships. We do not know You, God, and our relationships with others are superficial at best. Redeem us, we pray, from our self-destructive ways, and restore us to Your covenant community. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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.*

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

HYMN # 492

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit. Cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King.
Heirs of salvation, trusting the promise. Faithfully now God's praises we sing.*

*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit. Marked with the sign of Christ, our King.
Born of the Spirit, we are God's children. Joyfully now God's praises we sing.*

PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Congregational Response:

*Breathe on me, breath of God. Fill me with life anew.
That I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.*

INVITATION TO OFFERING

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DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Your generosity, O God, is beyond our deserving. You grant health to our bodies and minds. You surround us with vast resources and with people who love us. You allow us to make decisions about the use of our time and possessions and relationships. Thank You, God, for this opportunity to share with others some of what we have received. Help us to use all our gifts as You intend. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33
John 6:35, 41-51

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON

“When Life Gets Out of Control” Rev. Dr. Ann Van Cleef

HYMN # 281

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

*Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrims through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty. Hold me with Thy powerful hand.
Bread of Heaven, bread of Heaven. Feed me till I want no more.
Feed me till I want no more.*

*Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow.
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be Thou still my strength and shield.
Be Thou still my strength and shield.*

*When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.
Death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee.
I will ever give to Thee.*

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

*Let there be peace on Earth, and let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on Earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God, our Creator, we are family.*
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.*

*Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on Earth, and let it begin with me.*

(*Original words: *With God as our Father, brothers all are we.*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Sacrament of Baptism

This morning, it is our joy to welcome Paris Milani Johnson into our Christian Fellowship, through the Sacrament of Baptism. Born on December 26, 2019, Paris is the child of Gisel Velazquez and Curtis Johnson. This lucky girl has two sets of Godparents: Celines Fisher, Joel Moran, Alexis Velazquez, and Travis Matos.

Church Fair Committee Meeting

The Church Fair Committee will meet on Sunday, September 5, immediately following worship. Everyone is invited. The date of the Fair is Saturday, September 25. Please spread the word among craftspeople you know. Larry has applications for 10 x 10 foot spaces on the lawn. Our church will have about 5 tables to sell things. If you are interested in staffing a church table, please see Larry.

Chinese Auction Baskets

Do you have new items that you're not going to use? (Gifts, impulse buys, etc.) If so, we can use them for our Chinese Auction at the Church Fair. Please bring them to church on any Sunday. Thank you!

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