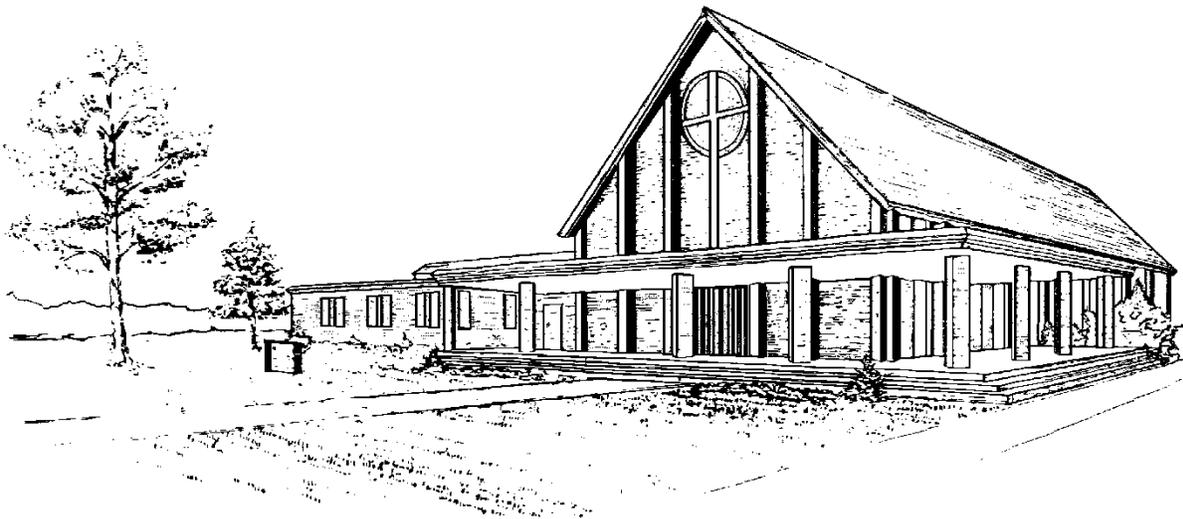


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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

Deacon Barbara Small

GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lent calls us to journey, following Jesus wherever he leads us,

A journey to the place where God covenants with us.

Lent calls us to worship together, to tell others the good news,

To practice justice, and bring God's hope to all people.

Lent calls us to faithful living, to trust the One who gives us life,

To take up our cross, to trust the One who bears it with us.

Lent calls us to journey with God.

Let us worship God, who walks with us this and every day.

HYMN # 76

My Song Is Love Unknown

LOVE UNKNOWN

My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me.

Love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.

O who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?

Christ came from Heaven's throne, salvation to bestow.

But people scorned and none the longed-for Christ would know.

But, O my Friend, my Friend indeed, who at my need His life did spend?

Sometimes they strew His way. And His sweet praises sing,

resounding all the way, Hosannas to their King.

Then "Crucify!" is all their breath, and for His death they thirst and cry.

They rise, and needs will have. My dear Lord made a way.

A murderer they save, the Prince of Life they slay.

Yet steadfast, He to suffering goes, that He His foes from thence might free.

Here might I say and sing. No story so divine: never was love,

Dear King, never was grief like Thine.

This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

For the poverty of our worship, our unbelief and hesitating witness, and our blindness to what You would have us be and do, Lord have mercy.

For imagining ourselves to be the center of the world, and for seeking security in the works of our own hands and minds, Christ have mercy.

For wasting your gifts, and for letting so little of Your love pass through us to others by relieving the sufferings and injustices that they endure, Lord have mercy. 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.*

PRAYER CONCERNS

Elder Betty Chatfield

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

Glorious God, we dedicate these gifts as an expression of our faith. You alone know how much we share and how much we withhold. You know the extent of our trust and the depth of our commitment. May this act of giving draw us closer to You and extend a blessing to all who are helped through our sharing. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
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Genesis 17:1-7, 15-

Mark 8:31-38

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON

“God’s Plan”

Rev. Dr. Van Cleef

HYMN # 276

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father.
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not.
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.*

REFRAIN: *Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

*Summer and winter and springtime and harvest.
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. REFRAIN:*

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside. REFRAIN*

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.*

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND JOYS

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

Many Thanks to Our Vision Team

Last Sunday, we munched on snacks, drank bottled water, and thoroughly enjoyed the movie *War Room: The Power of Prayer*. Thank you to our Vision Team for organizing this excellent time of faith and fellowship for us.

Wednesday Lenten Services

Sadly, because of the pandemic, we are not able to have our Wednesday Soup Suppers this year. Instead, our Wednesday Lenten Services will be Zoomed each week at 7:30 p.m. A reminder will be sent out each week.

The Meeting ID is: 986 8617 9862. The Passcode is: 975734

If you have not already done so, you may pick up the Order of Worship packet (which includes all of the Wednesday night services plus the Maundy Thursday service) after church.

Masks by Leonora – Half Price *and* BOGO Sale!

Leonora is making room for her spring line, and is having a big sale on selected masks: Half price *and* buy one get one. In other words, 4 for \$10. Newer masks are either full price (\$10) or BOGO (Buy one, get one free). It doesn't get any better than this! Stock up on masks today. Remember, masks are a gift of love! All proceeds benefit our Room Improvement Fund.

Our Building

Take a look at our church office when you get a chance. Larry Foray has been painting, and Leonora Colletti has been decorating. Thank you, Larry and Leonora. Everything looks very inviting.

The hallway to the parlor is undergoing a transformation as well. Many thanks go to Paul Proctor for installing the beautiful wainscoting.

Future plans include painting the hallway, updating the Fellowship Director's office, updating the Pastor's office, and installing a ceiling and lighting in the choir room. Larry Foray is spearheading these projects. Thank you, Larry!

