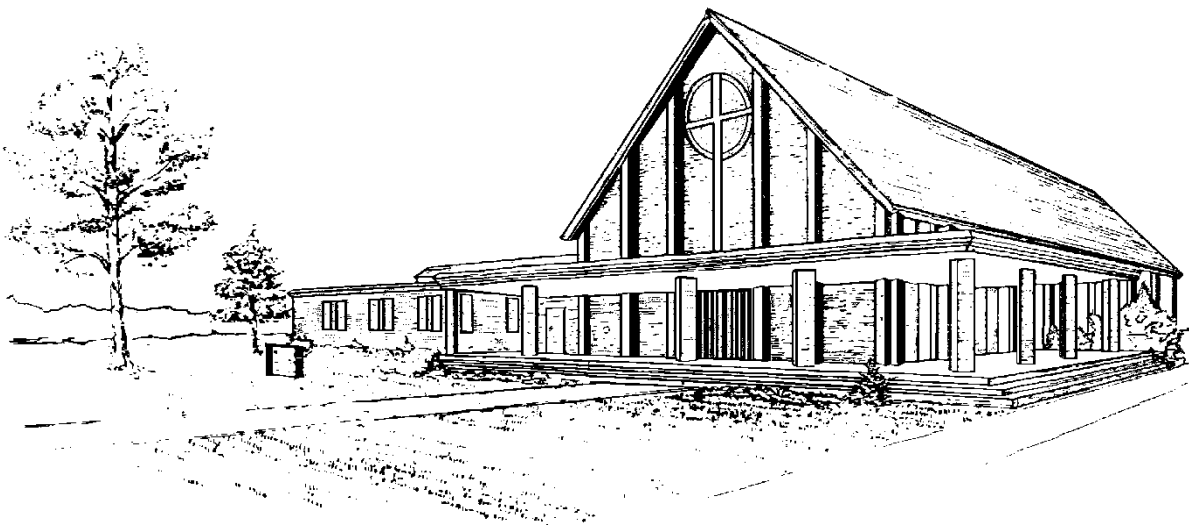


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GATHERING MUSIC

God of the Sparrow

Glenn Rubin, Recorder

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Over the wind and waves, Christ comes to us.

Do not fear to meet Christ here.

We have heard the invitation.

Our hopes have brought us together.

The storms of life do not have the last word.

Our faith keeps us from sinking.

Our doubts lead to greater faith.

Our losses open us to greater possibilities.

Let us call on God's name and give thanks.

Let the hearts of all who seek God rejoice.

We will sing of God's wonderful works.

We will share with others God's marvelous deeds.

HYMN # 487

When Morning Guilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

When morning guilds the skies, my heart awaking cries:

May Jesus Christ be praised!

Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair:

May Jesus Christ be praised!

Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find:

May Jesus Christ be praised!

Or fades my earthly bliss? My comfort still is this:

May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let Earth's wide circle round in joyful notes resound:

May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let air and sea and sky from depth to height reply:

May Jesus Christ be praised!

*Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this the eternal song through all the ages long:
May Jesus Christ be praised!*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we confess that we are dreamers more intent on our own importance than on Your vision for us. We like our favored position on this Earth, and we are jealous of those who possess more than we do. We want to walk on water before we have learned to stand upright on the land. We want to rise above others rather than reaching out with helping hands, that all might be uplifted by You. We pray for pardon, for greater insight, for another chance to live and serve with faithfulness. 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 AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

..... All this we pray in Jesus' name saying, *Our Father who are in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

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.*

OFFERING SENTENCES

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

O God, we cannot deceive You with the appearance of generosity. You know how we manage the wealth entrusted to our care. Help us to know the joy of sharing from the abundance You provide. Help us to trust when we feel we do not have enough. We give thanks that You enable us to be givers, and not just receivers. May what we offer here provide a helpful ministry to others. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
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Psalm 85:8-

Matthew 14:22-33

SERMON

“Why Do You Doubt?”

Minister Glenn Rubin

HYMN # 361

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

*How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you God hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?*

*“Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid.
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand
Upheld by my righteous omnipotent hand.”*

*“When through the deep waters I call thee to go
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow.
For I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.”*

*“When through fiery trials – thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply.
The flame shall not hurt thee, I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.”*

*“The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes.
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake.*

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

*God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd's care enfold you. God be with you till we meet again.
Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet,
Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.*

JOYS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, FOLLOWED BY POSTLUDE

Welcome, Minister Glenn Rubin

We welcome Glenn Rubin to the pulpit this morning, while Pastor Ann and Bob are in Massachusetts.

Glenn Rubin received his Bachelor of Music Education degree from the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam, his Master's degree in Double Bass Performance from the Manhattan School of Music, and a Master's degree in Musical Composition from Queens College. He earned his Master of Divinity degree from New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

After nearly a decade of freelancing in New York City, Glenn began his teaching career. He is retired from the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District where he was the high school orchestra director and music theory instructor. These days he spends several months of each year as an adjudicator at various NYSSMA festivals.

Glenn has been a member of the Simpson United Methodist Church in Amityville since 1986, and is currently a church musician and a trustee. He enjoys preaching whenever the opportunity arises and considers each invitation to be a gift from God. "There is no more enjoyable activity than spreading the Word of God. Preaching the message of God's Love is like experiencing a fine symphony; both seek to lift us to a higher level."

A Heads-Up – Church Fair Is Coming

It's never too early to start thinking about our Church Fair. It's scheduled for Saturday, September 23, with a rain date of Saturday, September 30. Talk to Larry Foray about ideas you may have, or ways you think you can help.

The Little Food Pantry

We are in need of canned tuna and chicken, cereal, pasta and spaghetti, Chef Boy-R-Dee ravioli, canned fruit: peaches, pears, plums, mandarin oranges, mixed, (no applesauce), rice, and peanut butter and jelly. Thank you for your generosity.

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