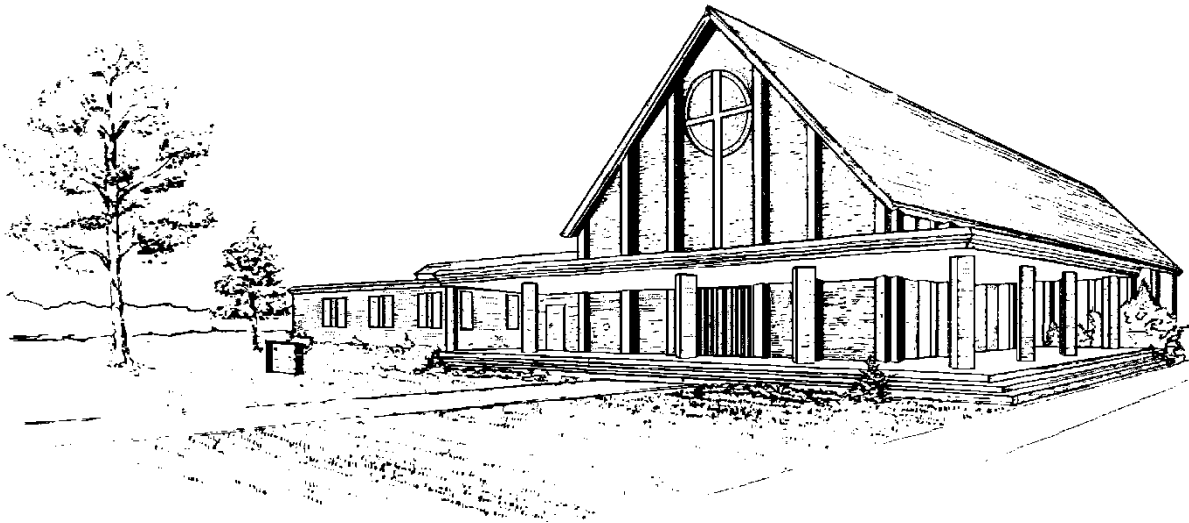


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GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

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

#### 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 Promise”

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: #85

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul.*

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul.*

*What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss*

*To bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul,*

*To bear the heavy cross for my soul.*

*To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing.*

*To God and to the Lamb I will sing.*

*To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am,*

*While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing.*

*While millions join the theme, I will sing.*

*And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on.*

*And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.*

*And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be.*

*And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,*

*And through eternity I'll sing on.*

### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND JOYS**

#### **Wednesday Lenten Soup Suppers and Short Services**

Our Lenten Soup Suppers continue on Wednesday nights at 6:00 p.m. along with a short devotional / prayer time. Please join us. Bring a soup, bread, or dessert to share if you wish.

Many thanks to The SpiritLifters for their inspiring music this past Wednesday.

#### **Mary Poppins at Harborfields High School**

We have been offered free tickets to the senior citizen showing of Mary Poppins at Harborfields High School. The date is Wednesday, March 20. The time is 5:00 p.m. for coffee, cake, and a concert by the high school jazz band in the cafeteria; the musical starts at 6:00 p.m. in the auditorium.

#### **St. Patrick's Day Dinner Tickets**

Tickets for our March 9<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day Dinner are going fast! Please see Priscilla Jahier during coffee hour to purchase your tickets. They're a real bargain at \$30 each!

### **Food Pantry**

Do you know of people who might be hungry this season? Remember that we have a free food pantry in front of the church that is available 24/7. Please help us spread the word.

This week, we are in need of canned fruit, canned chicken, Spam, and rice. Thank you.

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