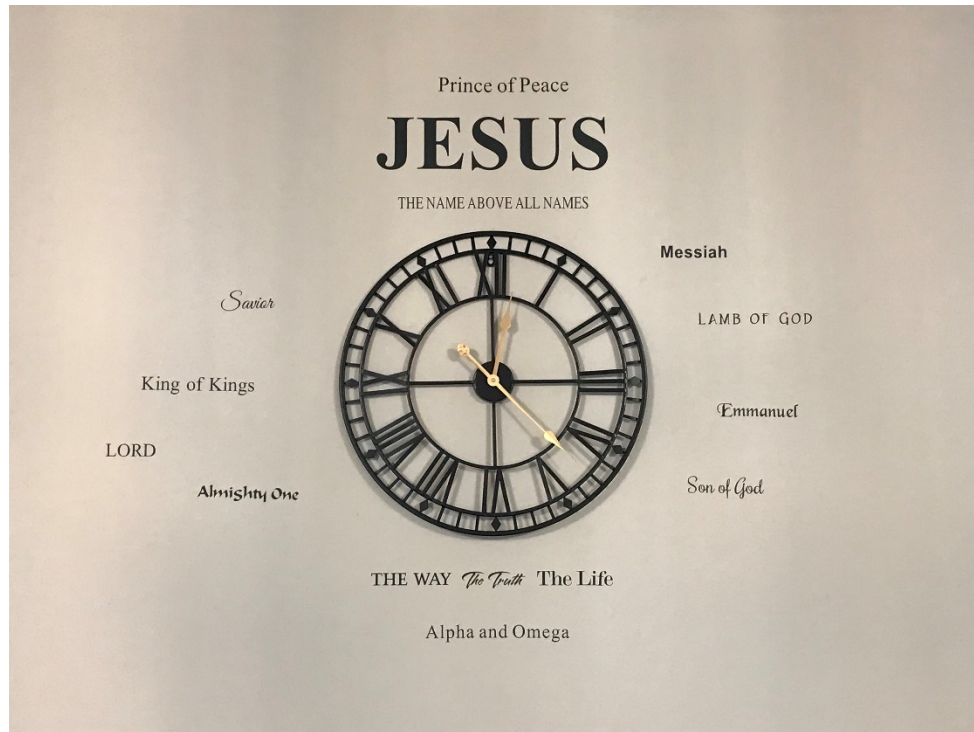


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GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

THE RINGING OF THE BELL Dan Charnews /Tyler Hago/ Glenn Jahier

CALL TO WORSHIP

The realm of God has come near.

Enter this time of worship with joyous expectation.

We will extol God,

Who rescued us and restored us to life.

Sing praises to God, all faithful ones.

Give thanks to God's holy name.

We have known God's favor in many ways.

God has healed us and turned our mourning into dancing.

Rejoice in the work you are given to do.

Give thanks that your names are known to God.

We will praise God and not be silent.

We will give thanks to God forever.

*HYMN # 302

I Danced in the Morning

SIMPLE GIFTS

*I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from Heaven and I danced on the Earth.
At Bethlehem I had my birth. REFRAIN*

REFRAIN: *Dance, then, wherever you may be.
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He.
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be.
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said He.*

*I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they would not follow Me.
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John.
They came with me and the dance went on. REFRAIN*

*Those who are willing and able are invited to stand.
Congregation reads aloud the words in ***bold italics***.

*I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame.
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung Me high,
And left Me there on a cross to die. REFRAIN*

*I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black.
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried My body and they thought I'd gone,
But I am the dance and I still go on. REFRAIN*

*They cut Me down and I leap up high.
I am the life that will never, never die.
I'll live in you if you'll live in Me.
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He. REFRAIN*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Righteous God, we confess our easy compliance with ways of the world. We are happy to accept advantages for ourselves that are unavailable to many. We do not call oppressors to account, nor do we recognize our own oppressive ways. We pass by many who suffer, as if their sufferings were no concern of ours. Our practice of the faith gives neither offense nor inspiration. We are troubled when we see ourselves this way. Redeem us and forgive us, O God. 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 # 333: (Please remain seated)
LAFFERTY

*Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.*

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

Generous God, may these gifts, as well as our lives, bear fruit in many good works, increasing among us knowledge of You, patience and endurance, wisdom and understanding, love and joy. May we act with compassion toward one another, and toward neighbors near and far. Thankful for the mercy You have shown us, we pledge ourselves and these offerings to extend mercy to all. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Psalm 82
Luke 10:25-37

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON

Minister Glenn Rubin

“And Just Who Is My Neighbor, Anyway?”

HYMN # 422

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

*God, whose giving knows no ending, from Your rich and endless store,
Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom. Costly cross, grave's shattered door.
Gifted by You, we turn to You, offering up ourselves in praise;
Thankful song shall rise forever, Gracious donor of our days.*

*Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, Your Son.
All at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone.
Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at Your throne.*

*Treasure too You have entrusted, gain through prayers Your grace conferred.
Ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the Gospel Word.
Open wide our hands in sharing as we heed Christ's ageless call,
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving You by loving all.*

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.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Joys and Announcements

Welcome Back, Minister Glenn Rubin

We welcome Glenn Rubin to the pulpit this morning, while Pastor Ann is taking some Sabbath time.

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."

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