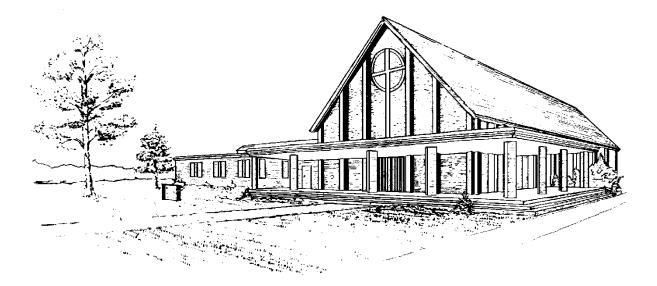
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GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP
Our Lenten journey continues.
Often the road has been stony and hard.
But God has been our friend and our guide.
God is faithful to us, even when we are faithless.
Today, we rejoice in God's faithful love,
and together ask for strength and signs of hope and life.
Again we are drawn together to celebrate the life that is ours in Christ Jesus. Thanks be to God!

HYMN # 84In the Cross of Christ I GloryRATHBUN

In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy. Never shall the cross forsake me. Lo! It glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way, From the cross the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified. Peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ancient of Days, we confess that we are a stubborn people. We have become set in our ways. We only know the past, so we look back with nostalgia, remembering only the good things, as we push aside the difficult memories.

Call us into accountability. Help us to remember the sins of our past so that we might learn to live into a future with hope. Call us to repent, to turn back to Your ways, to seek to repair the damage we have caused, and to dismantle the systems of sin at work in our world and our lives, so that we may build a future to which You have called us with more mercy and grace. We pray in Jesus' name, 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

In these gifts, O God, we acclaim You as our Lord. May they be useful to You in bringing Your kingdom into full flower through the ministries of Your Church. This we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE	
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Exodus 20:1-

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John 2:13-

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON

"Keeping the Sabbath Holy"

Rev. Dr. Van Cleef

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COMMUNION HYMN # 94

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

An upper room did our Lord prepare for those He loved until the end. And His disciples still gather there to celebrate their risen Friend.

A lasting gift Jesus gave His own to share His bread, His loving cup. Whatever burdens may bow us down, He by His cross shall lift us up.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

All praise is Yours, O God. You bring us to this table as sisters and brothers. Lead us now, through each of our moments, to that glorious day when all Your children will gather as family. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

HYMN # 371

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

REFRAIN: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world – adore – His sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod. The Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God. REFRAIN

Each newborn servant of the Crucified Bears on the brow the seal of Christ who died. REFRAIN

O, Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, Your death has brought us life eternally. REFRAIN

So shall our song of triumph ever be Praise to the Crucified for victory. 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 - This Wednesday Is the Last One

Attendance at our Wednesday Lenten Soup Supers has been averaging about six people per week. Therefore, we have decided to re-think our Soup Supper project. We would like to receive input from the congregation as to how to re-imagine this tradition in our post-pandemic world. Shall we do these on Sundays after church? Or at 3:30 on Wednesday afternoons? Please share your thoughts.

This Wednesday, March 6, will be our final Soup Supper. Come and enjoy a tasty supper along with the inspiring music of the SpiritLifters.

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 9th St. Patrick's Day Dinner are going fast! Please see Rosalie Schweighardt 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.

Organ Project

As was announced last week, we will be holding some fund-raising concerts this year with the goal of purchasing a new organ for our Sanctuary.

The Organ Committee consists of Fran Roberts, Ann Van Cleef, and Marian Adams. We will keep you posted!

Anyone who wishes to be an "organ donor" please see one of the committee members.

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