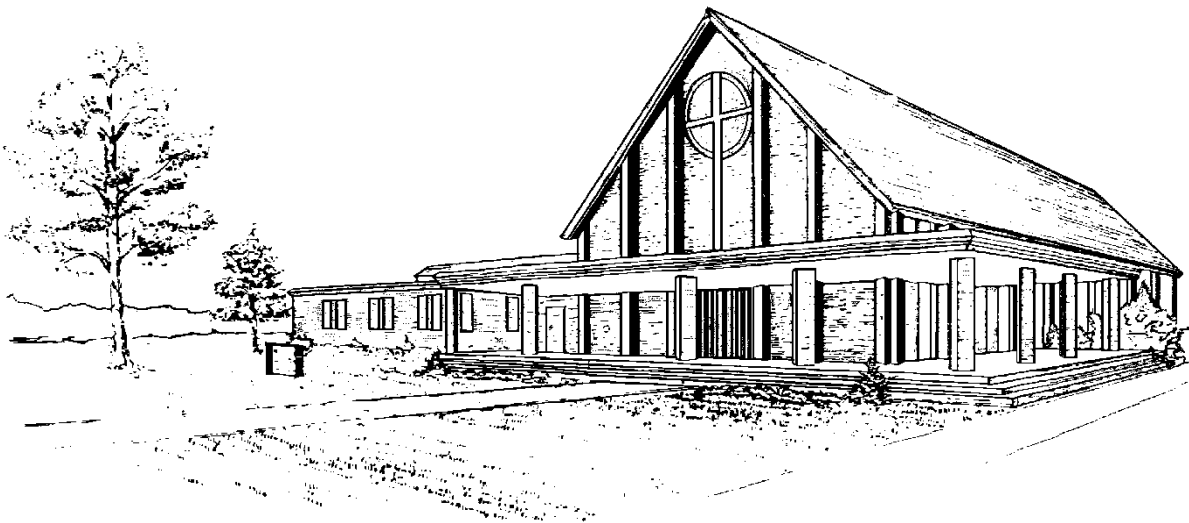


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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

Deacon Barbara Small

GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come to worship God, Whose love was revealed in Jesus.

We will worship the Almighty and sing praises.

We are called to love one another as God loves us.

We seek to let God's love be perfected in us.

Christ is the vine; we are the branches.

We will bear fruit when we abide in the Vine.

HYMN # 139

Come, Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

*Come, Thou Almighty King. Help us Thy name to sing.
Help us to praise: Father, all-glorious, o'er all victorious.
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.*

*Come, Thou Incarnate Word. Gird on Thy mighty sword.
Our prayer attend. Come, and Thy people bless, and give Thy word success.
Spirit of Holiness, on us descend.*

*Come, Holy Comforter. Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of Power.*

*To Thee, great One in Three, the highest praises be
Hence evermore! Thy sovereign majesty, may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy One, we confess to You that we have fallen short. We don't always love our brothers and sisters in Christ. We hold grudges. We judge others. We brush off those who call upon us for help. We do not always see the needs around us while we focus on our own busy lives. Forgive us, O God, for not loving others as You have loved us. Guide us back to Your ways of love, peace, and reconciliation. In the name of Jesus, we pray. 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

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

We give, Gracious God, because we are grateful for Your sustaining love. Let these gifts grow to reach the world. Remain in these gifts so that others might know that we love them as much as we love You. Amen.

BLESSING OF THE ANGEL GIFTS

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Psalm 22:25-31
In the context of the Sermon - John 15:1-8

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

SERMON
Cleef

“A Parable of a Grape Arbor”

Rev. Dr. Van

COMMUNION HYMN # 329

BREAD OF LIFE

Break Thou the Bread of Life

*Break Thou the Bread of Life, Dear Lord, to me.
As Thou didst break the loaves beside the sea.
Beyond the sacred page, I seek Thee, Lord.
My spirit pants for Thee, O Living Word!*

*Bless Thou the truth, Dear Lord, now unto me,
As Thou didst bless the bread by Galilee.
Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall,
And I shall find my peace, my all in all.*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of the Vines and Branches, of the Fields and the Wheat, You have blessed us with peace as tranquil as a flowing stream; peace that nourishes as food and sleep; peace that is stronger than death. You call us to rest in Your care that we may live with courage. Though fears beset us, Your love will comfort us again. Though death is no stranger, You shall be our last and best friend. We thank You, Loving God, for this meal, and for Your love that fills us to overflowing. Amen.

HYMN # 467

How Great Thou Art

O STORE GUD

*O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made.
I see the stars. I hear the rolling thunder.
Thy power throughout the universe displays. REFRAIN*

*REFRAIN: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee.
How great Thou art. How great Thou art.
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee.
How great Thou art. How great Thou art.*

*When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur*

And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. REFRAIN

*And when I think that God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in.
That on the cross, my burdens gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin. REFRAIN*

*When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art! 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.*

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Memorial Service for Patricia (Pat) Lievendag

A Memorial Service for our beloved Pat Lievendag will take place today in our Sanctuary. It will begin at 1:00 p.m. with an opportunity to hear a recording of Pat's Senior Recital in college. A Service of Remembrance and Celebration will follow at 2:00, led by The Rev. Frederick Woodward and Mr. Ronald Lievendag. Immediately after the Service, Ron will host a dinner at the Moose Lodge for those who wish to attend.

Mother's Day Service

Next week, we will celebrate one of God's great gifts to us: mothers. Please bring in a picture of your mother, in a stand-alone frame, if possible, and place it on the Communion table as you enter the Sanctuary. Pictures of grandmothers,

favorite aunts, wives, or any woman who has been influential in your life are welcome as well.

Women's Choir

Our Women's Choir will rehearse today immediately after our Service of Worship, and will sing at a Service in late May.

We would love to have some more women join us. You don't have to sing like a Broadway star – just be able to match pitch. Please see Pastor Ann.

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