

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

*Call to Worship

L: Beloved, we are called to love one another, because love is from God.

P: God's love is poured in us from our birth.

L: We are called to extend the love of God to all people.

P: God's love is taught to us through the witness of God's faithful people.

L: We are called to proclaim God's love in all that we say and do.

P: In all creation, in all our relationships, may God's love be made known. AMEN.

*Hymn of Praise *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* Celebration Hymnal No. 391

*Prayer of Invocation

Revive us Lord, and may the love that so permeated the early church, where we discover that Christians loved in thought word and deed, begin to spread once again throughout the Body of true believers. May we return to a time when love within the Church of God begins to shine forth, as we become salt and light to a needy world.

Forgive us Father, that our love for You and the Lord Jesus has worn so thin. Rekindle a fire of love that sweeps through the Church today, so that in the essentials of our faith we may have unity, in the inessential things we may display liberty, and in all areas of our Christian life may we demonstrate true godly love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Readings

1 John 4:7-8

John 13:34

*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.*

Sermon

People

Brian Sampson

Hymn of Reflection

The Servant Song

Celebration Hymnal No. 424

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer:

*Our Father who art 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.*

*Hymn of Going Forth

Celebration Hymnal No. 429

They'll Know We Are Christians

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Make Us One
Make us one Lord, make us one
Holy Spirit, make us one
Let our love flow, so the world will know
We are one in you; we are one in you.

Postlude

*We invite you to stand if you are able.

Scripture Readings

7 Dear friends, let us love one another, (A) for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God (B) and knows God. (C) 8 Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. (D)

John 13:34

34 “A new command (A) I give you: Love one another. (B) As I have loved you, so you must love one another. (C)

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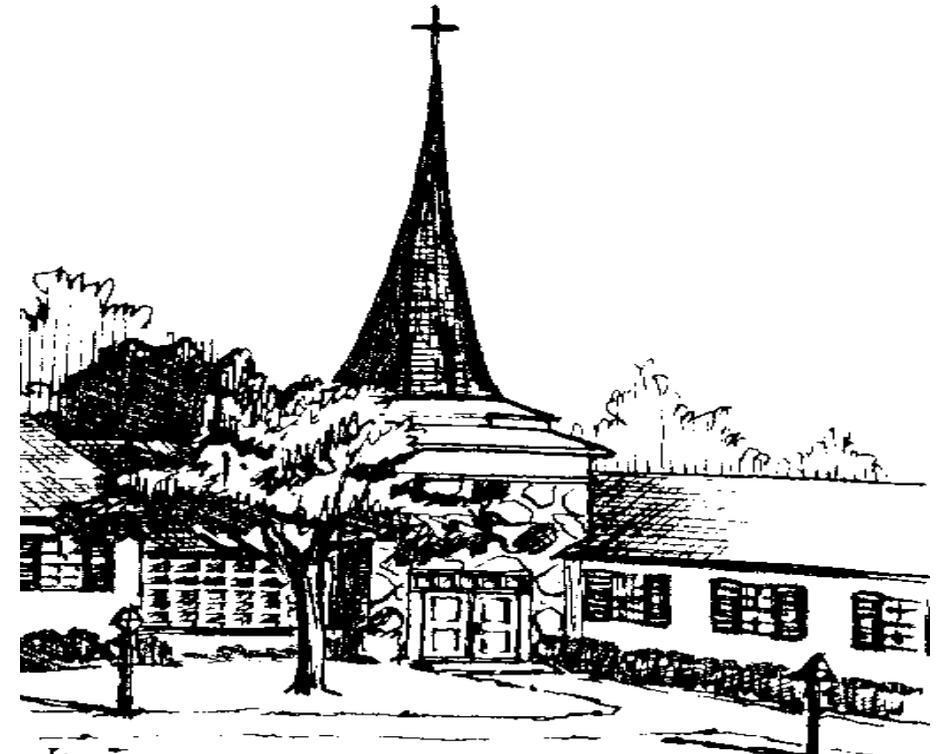
The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

WELCOME!

Church Covenant

We are banded together as a Christian Church to maintain the worship of God the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer; to proclaim the gospel of Christ, to develop in ourselves and others a consciousness of our relationship and duties to God and each other; to create a spirit of love for truth, a passion for righteousness and enthusiasm for service; to respect and protect all of God's creation. To this end we pledge our loyalty to Christ and covenant with God and with each other to strive to express God's spirit in our individual and corporate life; to live together as Christians and to submit ourselves to the government of this church, working, giving, praying for its increase, purity and peace, seeking in every way to make it a power for the building up of the Kingdom of God.



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