

Prelude

Let us turn our hearts and minds to a time of silent reflection and prayer.

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

*Call to Worship

ONE: People of Dearborn Congregational, what is your source of comfort and encouragement?

ALL: Our help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

ONE: With joy receive these words of greeting from God: May God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace. Jesus gave his life for our sins, just as God our Father planned, to rescue us from this evil world in which we live. All glory to God forever and ever! (Galatians 1:3, 4)

ALL: Amen!

ONE: Praise, O children of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

ALL: We love you, Lord, for you hear our voices; you hear our cry for mercy.

ONE: How can we repay the Lord for all his goodness to us?

ALL: We will lift up the cup of salvation and praise the LORD's name for saving us. We will keep our promises to the LORD in the presence of all his people. (Psalm 116:13, 14)

*Hymn of Praise

"Angels, We Have Heard on High"

Pilgrim Hymnal # 116

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION: (Unison Reading)

Merciful God and Father in heaven, you are faithful and just; you are willing to forgive our sins and to purify us from all unrighteousness. Before you and our sisters and brothers, we confess that we have spoken many empty words and have at times broken even our most sacred vows. Our sins are an affront to you; they are a disgrace before the watching world, and they have caused us unspeakable pain. Through our Lord Jesus may we begin this New Year with the joy of knowing we belong to you, with the freedom of being purified by your blood, and with the healing that your grace alone can bring. In the name of our blessed Savior we pray. Amen.

Anthem

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 18:1-3 and 30-32

Gospel Lesson

John 20:24-29

*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.

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.

Worship in Tithes and Offerings

*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.

*Offertory Prayer

Sermon

"A Time to Remember"

Rev. William Kren

Hymn of Preparation

"What Child Is This?"

Pilgrim Hymnal # 140

Service of Communion

Uniting in Covenant

Sharing of the Bread

Sharing of the Cup

*Hymn of Going Forth

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

Pilgrim Hymnal # 129

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

"Emmanuel"

Emmanuel, Emmanuel
His name is called Emmanuel;
God with us, revealed in us;
His name is called Emmanuel.

*Postlude

*We invite you to stand if you are able.