

Prelude

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

Welcome and Announcements

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: God calls together a divine council to render judgement.
God holds a plumb line to measure our faithfulness.

**ALL: Who can stand before the judgements of God?
How shall we know what God expects of us?**

ONE: Lift up your prayers for God's mercy.
Earnestly seek to know the ways of truth and salvation.

**ALL: Can we distinguish faithfulness from popular success?
What must we do to distinguish eternal life?**

ONE: God's judgement comes to all nations of the earth.
God's covenant with us involves care for all people.

**ALL: Will God deliver us from the hands of the wicked?
Will God put an end to wanton treachery?**

*Hymn of Praise

Celebration Hymnal TBA

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

Almighty God, we tremble with the knowledge that you know all our thoughts and deeds and judge them by your perfect will. Yet we are bold to protest the evil around us that seems to go unpunished. So many innocent and good people die randomly or suffer cruelly. How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? O God, we know this is really your question for us. Help us to take seriously these moments of encounter with you, knowing we can trust you to be just. Amen.

Worship in Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Offertory Prayer

*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.

Passing the Peace of Christ

Sharing Prayer Concerns

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 Reflection

Celebration Hymnal TBA

Scripture Reading

Luke 10:25-37

*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.

Special Music

Sermon

"A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood"

Rev. Lew Worthington

*Hymn of Going Forth

Celebration Hymnal TBA

*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.

Luke 10:25-37

²⁵Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?"

²⁷He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."

²⁸And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

²⁹But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead.

³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

³³But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity.

³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.'

³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?"

³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God

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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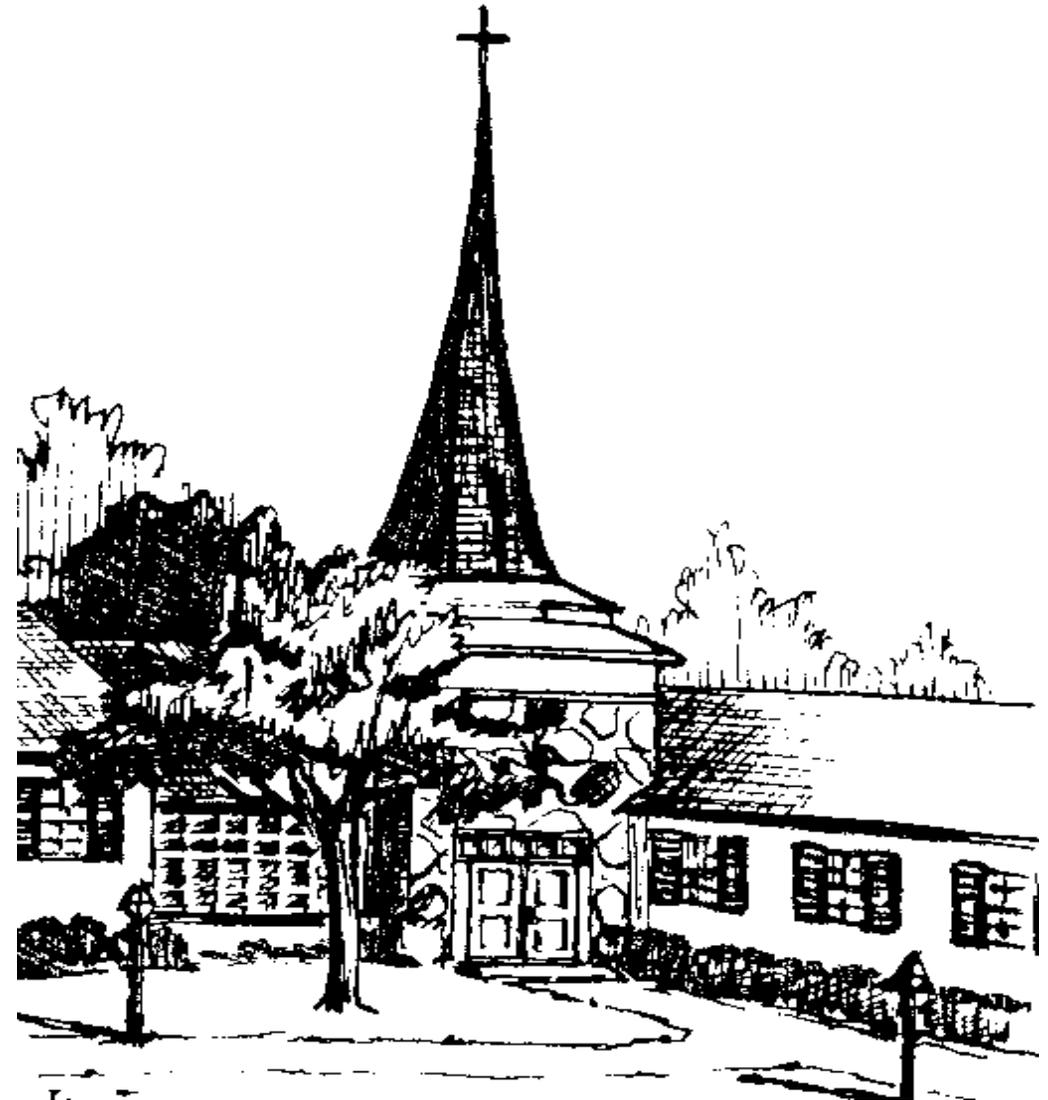
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