

~Gathering the Family of God~

The Peal of Our Church Bell

Welcome and Greeting One Another with the Peace of Christ

Prelude *Sheep May Safely Graze* Johann Sebastian Bach

Call to Worship

One Who is my neighbor?

All: **The righteous and the unrighteous,  
the just and the wicked.**

One: Who else is my neighbor?

All: **The rich and the poor,  
the weak and the strong.**

One: Is anyone else my neighbor?

All: **The great and the small,  
the arrogant and the humble.**

One: They are no different than I am!

All: **You must love your neighbor as yourself!**

Prayer of Invocation

\* **Gathering Song** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* #366

\* **Prayer of Reconciliation**

*Let us remain standing and express ourselves to God.*

All: **O Lord, you alone know the people we pass by everyday. They may not be beaten down or lying by the road but we still take them for granted. We have not shared our love and compassion with our family and friends, or our neighbors who have fallen into the hands of despair. Some may be strangers, people we don't know but quickly judge. Rescue us from such complacency. Move us to share the hope of Jesus with others, showering mercy on all we meet. Amen.**

\***A Time for Contemplation** (a private time for you and God)

\***Assurance of Forgiveness**

One: Children of God! Lead worthy lives, bearing fruit in all you say and do and think.  
God has redeemed us.

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

All: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\***Gloria Patri** # 581

**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.**

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Prayer for Understanding God's Word

All: In today's scripture you remind us of the compassion a Samaritan had on one who was injured. We have always liked that story, and now it is time for us to take the story to heart. We are called to reach beyond our comfort zone, to those in need, to the injured, the lost, the lonely. In your mercy and love, help us to reach out to others as you have reached out to us. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Old Testament Lesson Amos 7:7-17 page 855

One: The Word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm Psalm 82

*(a fresh translation)*

God stands in the divine assembly;  
**and delivers judgment in the midst of the gods:**

"How long will you judge unjustly,  
**favoring the wicked?**

Get justice for the helpless and the orphan,  
**uphold the rights of the poor;**  
rescue the poor and the needy,  
**save them from the hand of those who care little for justice.**

They do not know and they do not understand -

**they wander about in darkness;**  
**meanwhile all the foundations of the earth tremble.**

You are gods,  
**members of the community of the Most High, all of you.**

Even so, you will die like humankind,  
**and fall like any chief.**

So, get up, and give justice to the earth,  
**for you have an hereditary responsibility to all the nations.**

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New Testament Epistle Paul's Letter to the Colossians 1:1-14 page 199

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Gospel Lesson Luke 10:25-37 page 71

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Message *From Knowing to Doing* Sam Roethemeyer

~Responding to God's Word~

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

*Let us stand and affirm our faith.*

**All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into Heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.** [The Apostles Creed]

**Invitation to Become a Joyful Giver**

**Giving of our Tithes and Offerings & Friendship Pad**

*Please take a moment to sign your name and contact information in the pew pad.*

**Offertory**                                      *Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring*      Johann Sebastian Bach

**\*Doxology**      *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow/Doxology*

**All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host,**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: A-men.**

*Tune: Old Hundredth LM, Genevan Psalter 1551, Public Domain*

**Prayers of the People followed by Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**All: 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.**

~Going Forth to Serve God~

**Life in Our Church Community**

**\*Song of Sending Forth**                      *Amazing Grace*                                      # 649

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**                                      *Toccata*                                      Flor Peeters

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**\*Please stand, if you are able.**

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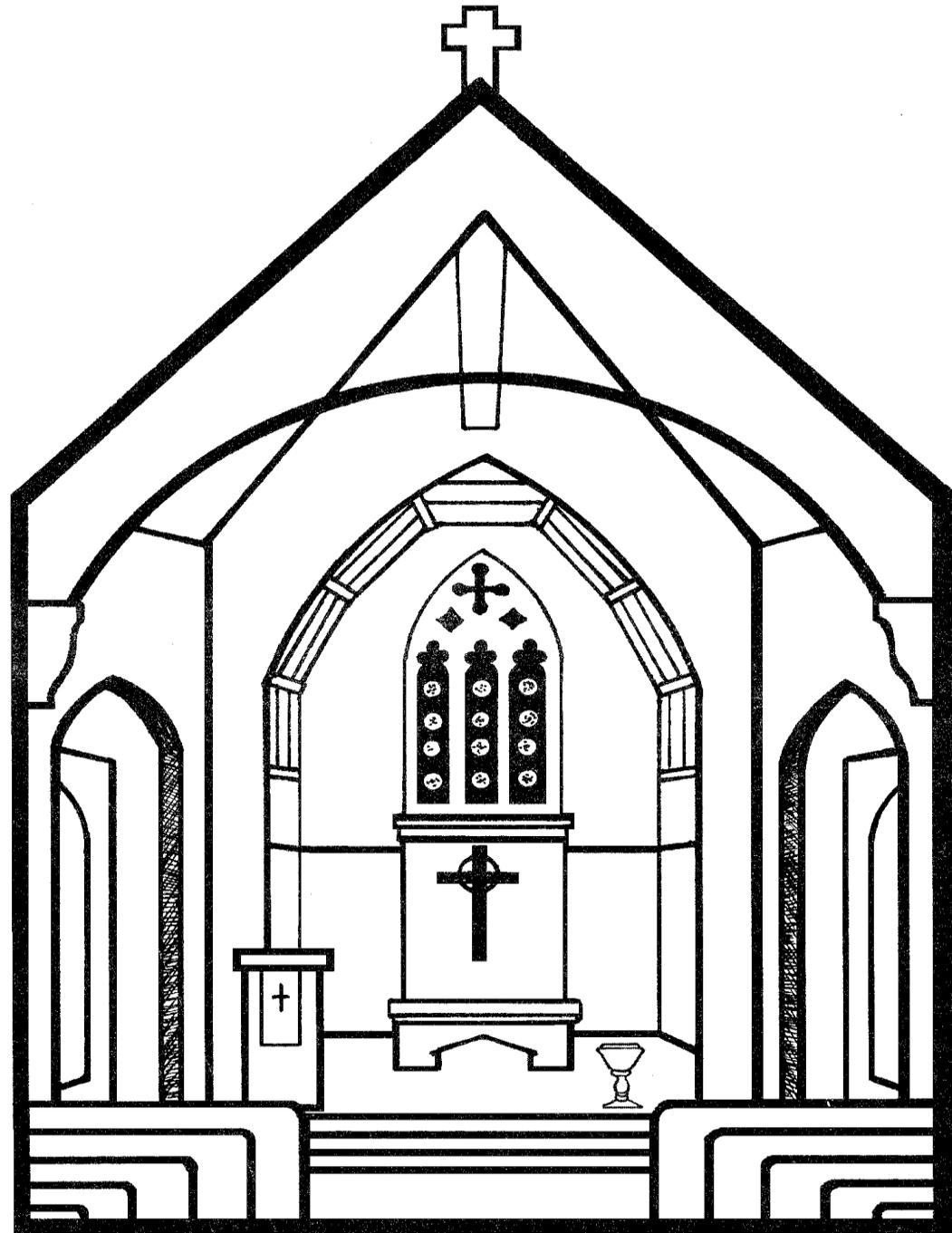
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**SERVICE AND CHURCH SCHOOL**

10:30 A.M. Worship Service  
10:45-11:30 Children and Youth Sunday School

**GENERAL NOTICES**

Childcare for infants, toddlers and preschoolers is provided during worship.  
The Session meets the third Sunday of the month.  
The Church sponsors Boy Scout Troop 4, Marcia Warren Scoutmaster, and  
Cub Scout Pack 15, Brian Hall Cubmaster



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