

~Gathering the Family of God~

The Peal of Our Church Bell

Welcome and Greeting One Another with the Peace of Christ

Prelude *Cover The World With Love* Words and Music by Jerry Estes

Call to Worship (Hosea 1, Luke 11)

One: Ask, and it will be given you.
Search, and you will find.
Knock, and the door will be opened for you.

All: We knock on the door of heaven.

One: For everyone who asks receives.
Everyone who searches finds.
And for everyone who knocks,
the door will be opened.

All: We ask for the bread of salvation.

One: Just as we yearn to give good gifts to our children,
So the Holy One yearns to give us good gifts,
Welcoming all who come as children of the Living God.

All: We seek the God who calls us.

Prayer of Invocation

* **Gathering Song** *Seek Ye First* #175

* **Prayer of Reconciliation**

Let us remain standing and express ourselves to God.

All: Lord, it has been a difficult week. Things have happened for which we were not prepared. We have not responded to difficulties with love, but rather with impatience. We have been stressed, pulled, pushed, tossed. Give us peace, Gracious Lord. Help us to slow down so that we can receive your healing word of love. Remind us that we stand in need of forgiveness, and then having received such love, we are to love and serve others. Teach us how to be good disciples for you. In Christ's Name, we offer this prayer. Amen.

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

* **Assurance of Forgiveness**

One: Even when things seem dark, God is with us. God's love is powerful enough to overcome any darkness that we encounter. Remember how much love has been given for you and rejoice!

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* **Gloria Patri**

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**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.**

Tune: Gloria Patri, Henry W. Greatorex, 1851, Public Domain.

~Hearing God's Word~

Prayer for Understanding God's Word

All: Like a true friend, Lord, do not withhold the wisdom of your word. Like a true friend, Lord, give us your nourishment and strength for the living of these days. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Hosea 1:2-10

page 835

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

New Testament Epistle

Luke 11:1-13

page 72

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson

Paul's Letter to the Colossians 2:6-19

page 200

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Message

Rev. Leigh Bonner

~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

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Words by Robert Robinson

Music: Traditional American Melody arranged by Don Chapman

* **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** *What a friend we have in Jesus* # 465

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *God Is Able* Words and Music by Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan

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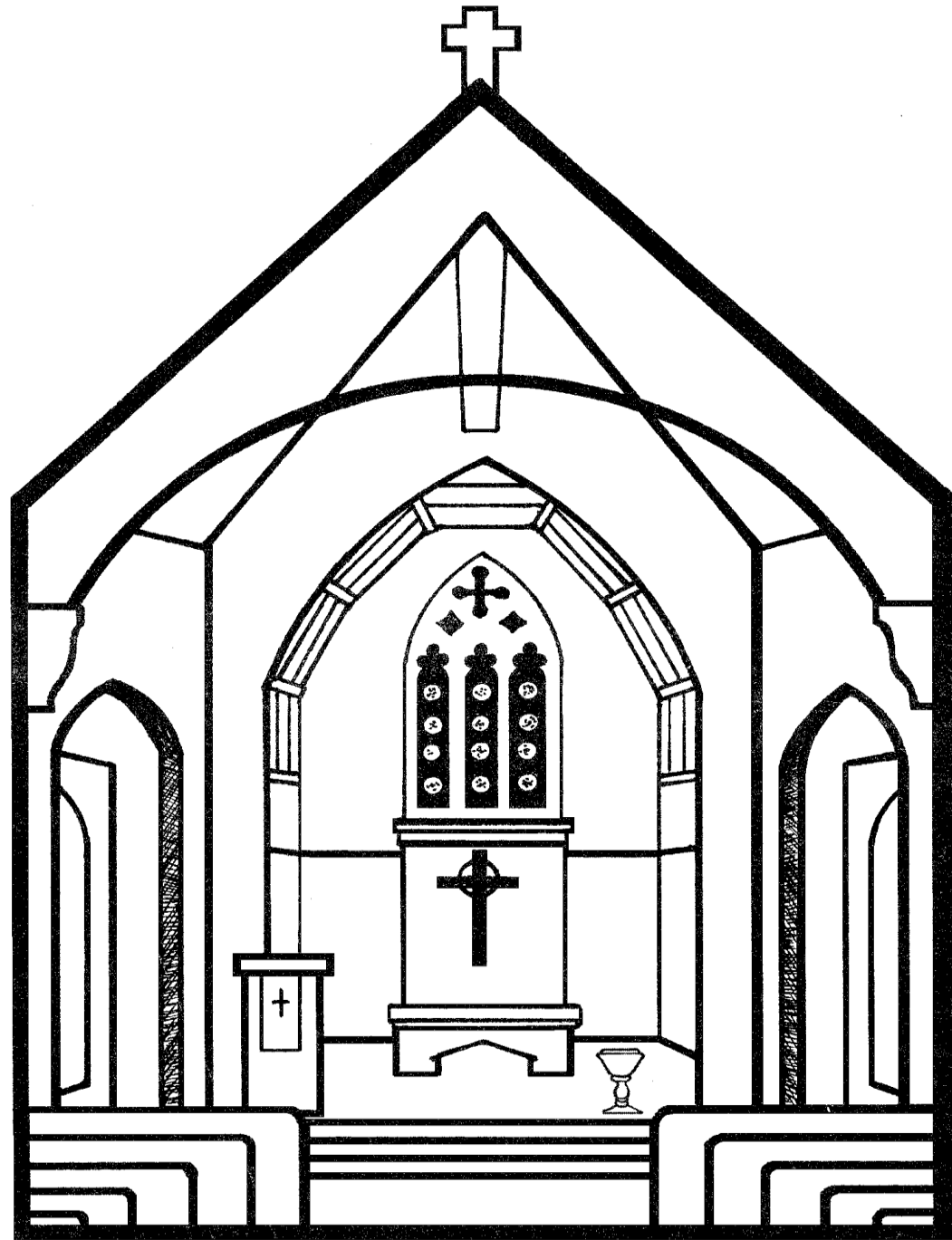
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SERVICE AND CHURCH SCHOOL

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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