

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP
November 11, 2018 10:30 AM

Preparing to Worship

PRELUDE Andantino Louis Vierne
 Prelude and Fugue in Em J. S. Bach

THREE CHIMES (honoring the Father, Son and Holy Spirit)

Gathering to Worship

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP Chris Skowronski

INVOCATION (unison) Chris Skowronski
Gift-giving God, we are grateful for this day and the privilege of being able to promise a portion of what you have entrusted to us back to you. We pray that you would be present in a powerful way as we worship you. We want to worship you with all things, especially our giving. Amen.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Chris Skowronski
Leader: We gather for worship today to celebrate our gifts.
People: We are celebrating the gifts we give to this church.
Leader: We gather for worship today to celebrate our community.
People: We are celebrating the love and support that we give to one another; the constant quest that we are on to be united by God's grace.
Leader: We gather for worship today to celebrate the future God is calling us to.
People: We are celebrating a future full of worship, outreach, and opportunity for service.
Leader: We gather for worship today to celebrate our God!
People: We are celebrating His vision for the future of all His people.
Leader: Let us gather in celebration!

***OPENING HYMN**

#299

You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

CONGREGATIONAL UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful Savior, you have asked us to love you with all of our heart, our soul and our mind, but we have often loved ourselves more than we love you. You have asked us to love our neighbor as ourselves, but sometimes we have refused to recognize the need of our neighbors, let alone truly love others as much as we love ourselves. Forgive us, Lord. Show us how to better love you and others with all that we have and all that we are. We need your help. Amen.

(Silence for self-reflection)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Rev. Linda Ruby

"We have a great high priest Jesus, the Son of God." Let us therefore hold fast to our confession, for God has promised forgiveness and mercy to all who turn back to him. Let us dwell in his forgiveness this week.

***GLORIA PATRI**

#581

YOUTH MESSAGE

Rev. Linda Ruby

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hearing The Word

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. Linda Ruby

God Is Unchangeable
Scripture *Malachi 3:6-10 and 2 Corinthians 9:7,8* (insert)

PRESENTATION OF PLEDGES FOR 2019

Take My Life (vs. 1, 2, 4, 6) #697

Responding to The Word

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

Offertory Anthem Benjamin Cornelius-Bates
Andante Chromatica
*Doxology #606
*Prayer of Dedication

Leaving as Christ's Servants

***CLOSING HYMN** Commit Your Way to God the Lord #706

***THE BENEDICTION**

***THE CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION** #748

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true
our lives may be our gift to you.

***CHIMES**

***POSTLUDE** Twilight Dr. Carol Williams

*You may stand if you are able.

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