

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP
February 16, 2020 10:30 AM

Preparing to Worship

PRELUDE Prelude On The "Ave Verum" Mozart/Biggs
Legende F. Peeters

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

Gathering to Worship

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP Rebekah Skweres

INTROIT Lead Me, Lord W. & E. Goodine
(The Chancel Choir)

INVOCATION (unison) Rebekah Skweres

Gracious God, we have gathered in your name as your people.
Engage us in our prayers. Engage us in our songs. Engage us
in our hearing of the Scriptures. Engage us in our going out to
the world. In Jesus' name, Amen.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Rebekah Skweres

Leader: Come and worship the God who created us.

People: We come to sing praises and offer our prayers.

Leader: Come and listen to the God who speaks to us still.

**People: In the Scriptures and in the sermon we listen for
God to speak to us.**

Leader: God is faithful and wants to speak words of life to all.

People: We are here, O God, to listen and to obey.

***OPENING HYMN MEDLEY**

Seek Ye First #175
Open Our Eyes, Lord (see insert)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison) Rev. Linda Ruby

Help us, loving God, to understand what true confession is:
acknowledging that we stumble as we try to live the life you call
us to. Some of the stumbling is caused by our own willfulness to
do it our way. Sometimes we focus so much on the world around
us that we forget to attend to basic needs like prayer and sleep.
Pick us up, O God, clean away the dirt from our lives, repair our
relationships, refocus us, and give us energy for the life to which
you call us. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

(Silence for self-reflection)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Rev. Linda Ruby

God's work of forgiveness is lifting, cleansing, refocusing and life-
giving. All of this has been promised to us in Jesus Christ
through the power of the Holy Spirit. All of this is ours today!

***GLORIA PATRI** #581

ANTHEM When I Look Into Your Holiness W. & C. Perrin
(The Chancel Choir)

YOUTH MESSAGE Rev. Linda Ruby

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sing in unison) (see insert)

Hearing The Word

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

MORNING MESSAGE Rev. Linda Ruby

Scripture A Whisper from God
1 Kings 19:8-13 (see insert)

Responding to The Word

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

Organ Offertory My Faith Looks Up To Thee arr. E. Larson

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Dedication

Leaving as Christ's Servants

***CLOSING HYMN** More Love to Thee, O Christ #828

***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** Ach Gott, Vom Himmel Sieh Darein J. Pachelbel

*You may stand if you are able.

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