

ALL ARE WELCOME; WE ARE FAMILY

Prelude Jay Pontius-Backman, organist

Welcome The Rev. Ashley Birk

Call to Worship

Leader: Welcome to this place in which God will ease your burdens and celebrate your joys with you.

All: We have come to find hope and peace in our lives.

Leader: Here, may the weary find rest and the strong be renewed.

May the old find refuge through consolation and the young be inspired by your words.

All: Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Opening Song "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,

There is no shadow of turning with thee.

Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;

As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed thy hand hath provided.

Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,

Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above

Join with all nature in manifold witness

To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [*Refrain*]

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,

Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,

Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,

Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [*Refrain*]

Unison Prayer of Confession Karolee Larson

With weepers we weep. With the warriors, we yearn for peace. With the exiles, we wander far from home, for our hearts wander far from you. We live in an uncertain world, time and again we turn to people who promise us security. But God, you are our only source of safety. Help us to turn to you, our heart's true home. Call us again and lead us home. Author of peace, teach us to seek our Peace in you. Source of every blessing, forgive us for the multitude of our transgressions. Rekindle a spirit of love and self-discipline within us, through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri

Children's Message

Melissa Bell

Good News from Churches

Prayer for Illumination

Debbie Blackburn

Scripture Readings: Jeremiah 29:1-13

Ephesians 3:14-21

2 Corinthians 12:1-10

Sermon

The Rev. Debbie Funke

"God's Power Perfected in Weakness: Hope!"

Song

The Rev. George Goodrich

"For I know the plans that I have for you", declares the Lord,

"Plans for welfare and not for calamity,

To give you a future and a hope.

And you will seek me and find me when you search for me

with all of your heart.

And I will be found by you," declares the Lord. [Repeat]

Pastoral Prayer

The Rev. Kathy Goodrich

Offering for Presbyterian Disaster Relief for Ukraine
Prayer of Dedication Caroline Fleming
Doxology

Holy Communion The Rev. Ashley Birk (elements are gluten free)

Closing Song “Sovereign Over Us” Michael W. Smith
There is strength within the sorrow, there is beauty in our tears
And you meet us in our mourning with a love that cast out fear
 You are working in our waiting, You're sanctifying us
When beyond our understanding You're teaching us to trust.

 Your plans are still to prosper, You have not forgotten us
You're with us in the fire and the flood You're faithful forever
 Perfect in love, You are sovereign over us

 You are wisdom unimagined, who could understand your ways
Reigning high above the heavens, reaching down in endless grace
 You're the lifter of the lowly, compassionate and kind
You surround and you uphold me and your promises are my delight

 Your plans are still to prosper, You have not forgotten us
You're with us in the fire and the flood, You're faithful forever
 Perfect in love You are sovereign over us

 Even what the enemy means for evil, You turn it for our good
You turn it for our good and for your glory, even in the valley, you are faithful
You're working for our good, You're working for our good and for your glory

 Your plans are still to prosper, You have not forgotten us
You're with us in the fire and the flood, You're faithful forever
 Perfect in love You are sovereign over us

Benediction

Postlude Jay Pontius-Backman, organist
Please stay seated for the special postlude music



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